



Dance in the
Wampire Bund

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Tu passais vers midi dans les champs radieux,

Fuis! la Nature est vide et le Soleil consume:

Rien n'est vivant ici, rien n'est triste ou joyeux.

Viens! Le Soleil te parle en paroles sublimes;

Dans sa flamme implacable absorbe-toi sans fin;

Et retourne à pas lents vers les cités infimes,

Le cœur trempé sept fois dans le Néant divin.

Humans, if you choose to allow your hearts to
shake with joy and sink with sadness,
And go down the bright mid-day trail, then flee, for
nature is inane, and the sun will burn your flesh.
For all living things, there is neither joy nor sadness.

Cometh! The sun shall beckon you with noble words.
Sink into those fires of hell for eternity, and then with
heavy feet plod back to your humble town.
Wallowing seven times in the nihilism that is God.

Leconte de Lisle, Poèmes antiques

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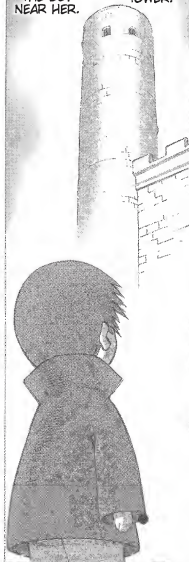
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SOMETIMES
THE QUEEN
WOULD HIDE
THERE AND
NOT ALLOW
THE BOY
NEAR HER.

WHAT
CONCERNED
HIM WAS
THE TOP
OF THAT
TOWER.



THAT
HE WAS
POSSESSED,
THAT HE
WOULD
SOON BE
EATEN.



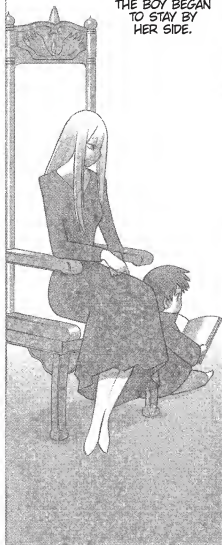
PEOPLE
WHIS-
PERED...



THE
BOY DID
NOT
BELIEVE
THEM.

HE
DIDN'T
WANT TO
BELIEVE
THEM.

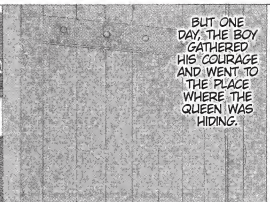
EVER SINCE
HE MADE HIS
"PROMISE" TO
THE QUEEN OF
THE MONSTERS,
THE BOY BEGAN
TO STAY BY
HER SIDE.



WHAT
HE SAW
THERE
WAS...

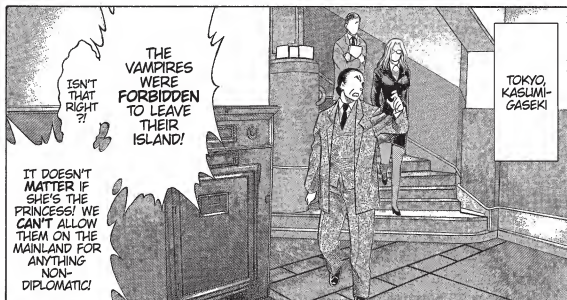


BUT ONE
DAY, THE BOY
GATHERED
HIS COURAGE
AND WENT TO
THE PLACE
WHERE THE
QUEEN WAS
HIDING.











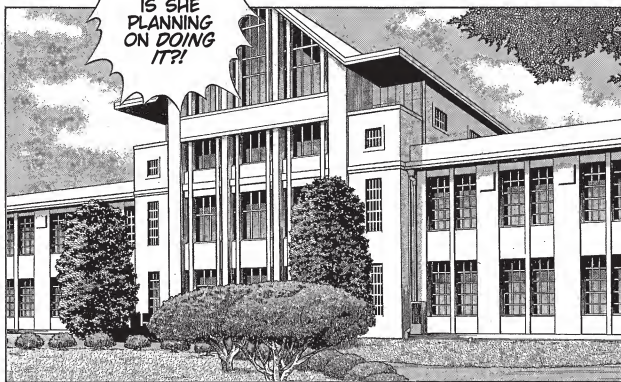
WHAT
KIND OF
"EXEMPTION"
IS THIS?!

WHAT
IS THAT
PRINCESS
UP TO?
WHERE
IS SHE
PLANNING
ON **DOING**
IT?!



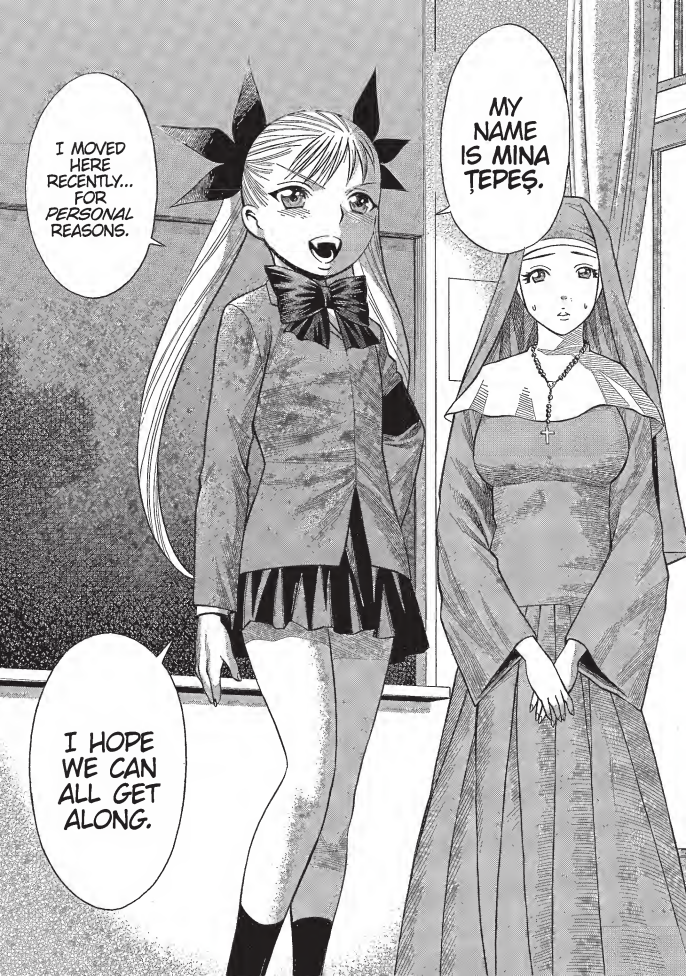
THESE
VAMPIRES,
OR WHAT-
EVER THEY
ARE...

DAMN
THEM FOR
INFRINGING
ON OUR
NATION'S
TERRITORY!



TODAY,
I'D LIKE TO
INTRODUCE
A NEW
CLASSMATE
TO YOU.

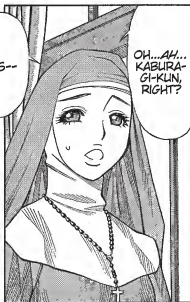
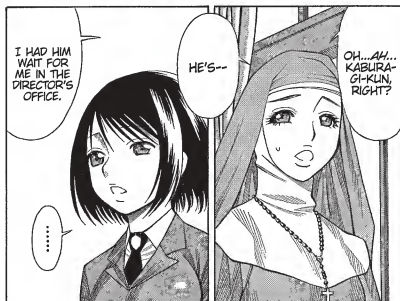
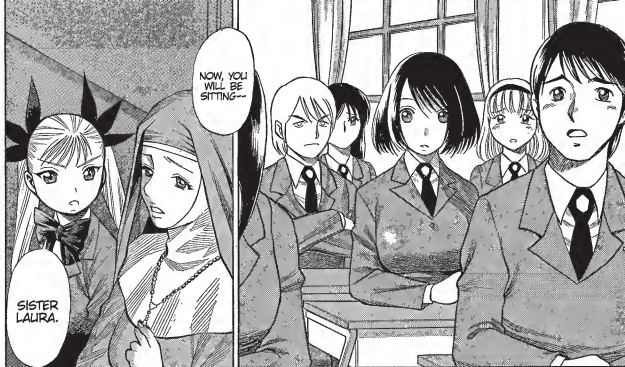
EVERY-
ONE...

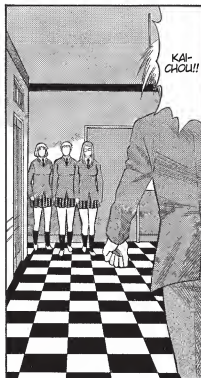
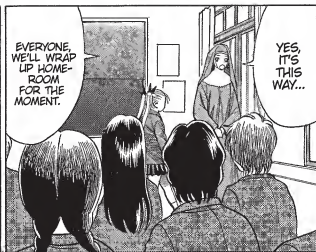
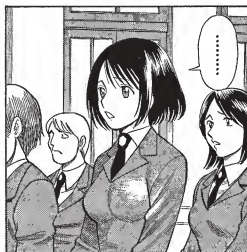


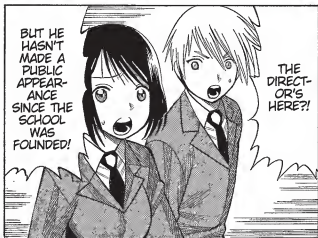
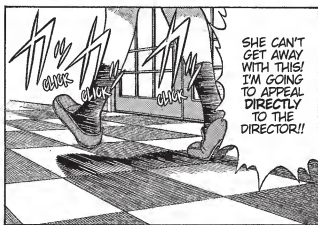
I MOVED
HERE
RECENTLY...
FOR
PERSONAL
REASONS.

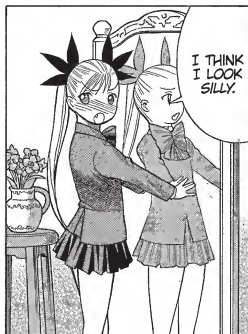
MY
NAME
IS MINA
TEPEŞ.

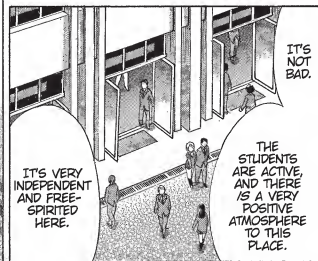
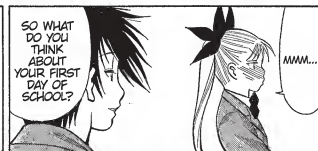
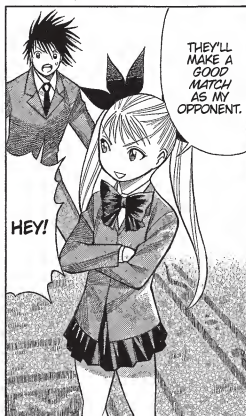
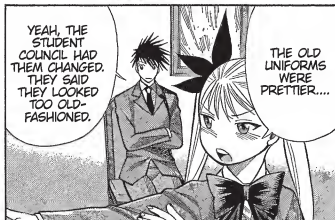
I HOPE
WE CAN
ALL GET
ALONG.

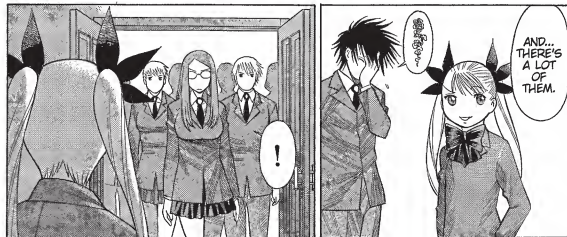
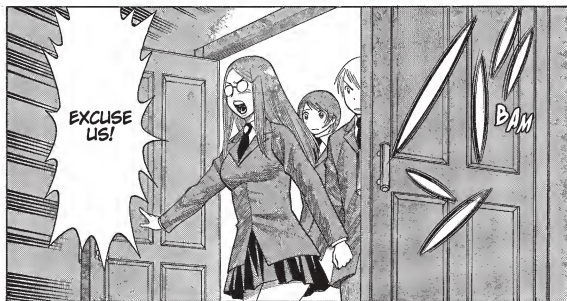


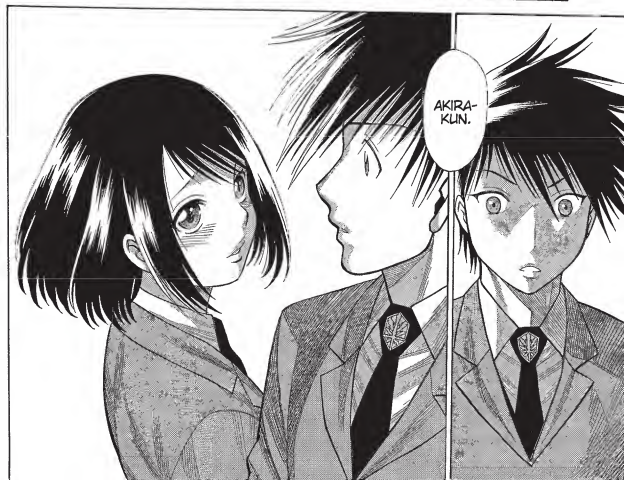
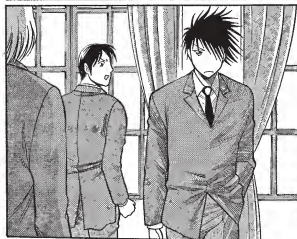


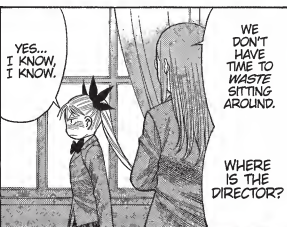
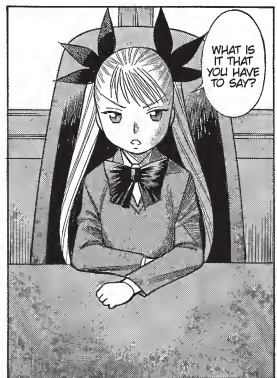
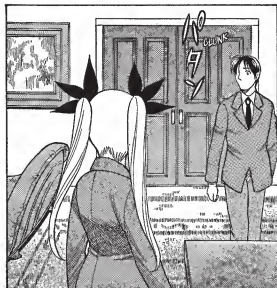


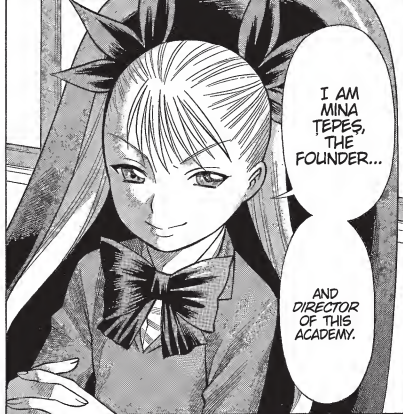












I AM
MINA
TEPES,
THE
FOUNDER...

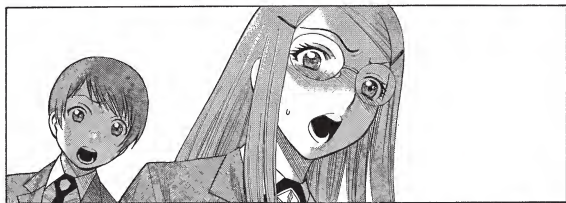
AND
DIRECTOR
OF THIS
ACADEMY.



GET OUT
OF THAT
CHAIR--!

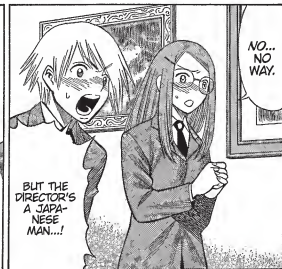
WHAT
KIND OF
JOKE IS
THIS?!

THIS
IS NO
JOKE.



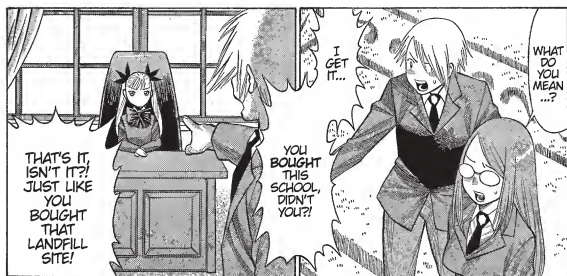
AFTER
I TRANS-
FERRED
HERE, THE
SCHOOL
OFFICIALLY
CAME
UNDER MY
CONTROL..

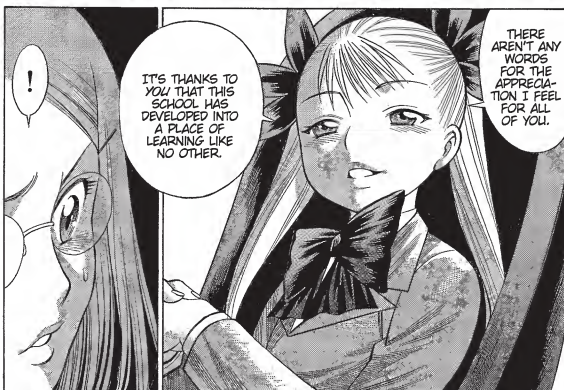
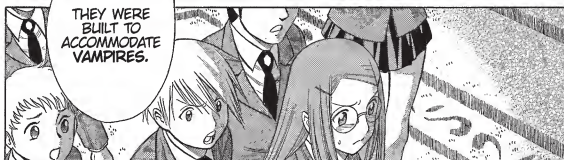
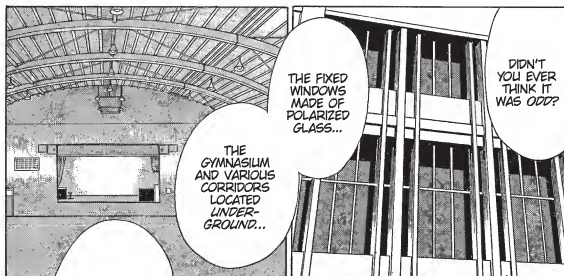
IN
NAME
ONLY.

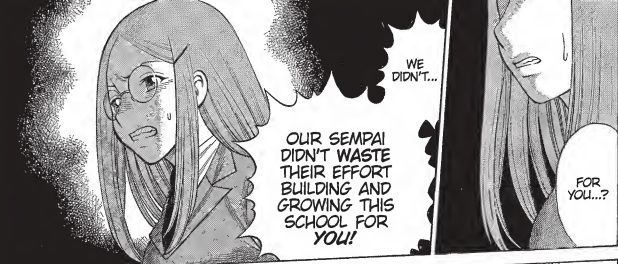


BUT THE
DIRECTOR'S
A JAPA-
NESE
MAN...!

NO...
NO
WAY.







OUR SEMPAI
DIDN'T WASTE
THEIR EFFORT
BUILDING AND
GROWING THIS
SCHOOL FOR
YOU!

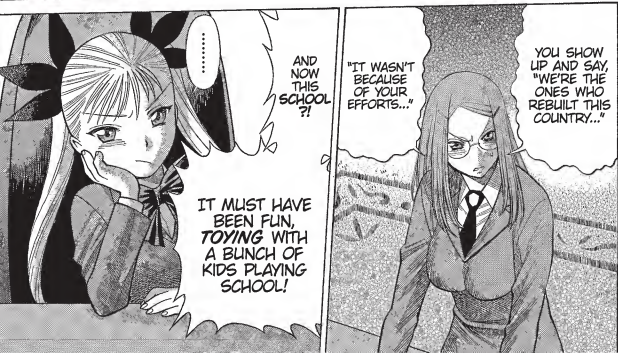
FOR
YOU...?



WHO DO
YOU THINK
YOU PEOPLE
ARE?!

THIS
IS...

THIS
IS
BULL-
SHIT
!!

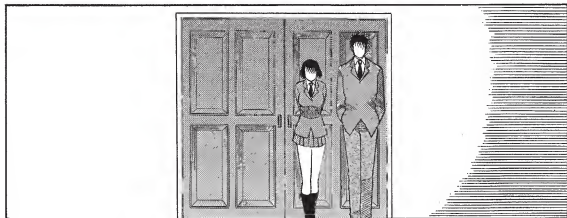


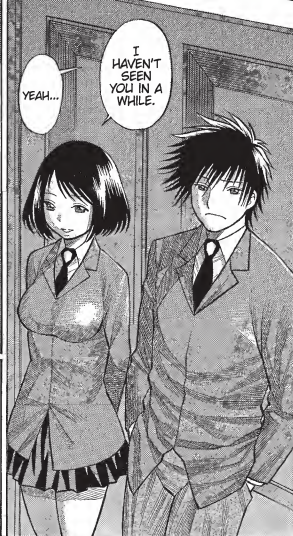
AND
NOW
THIS
SCHOOL
?!

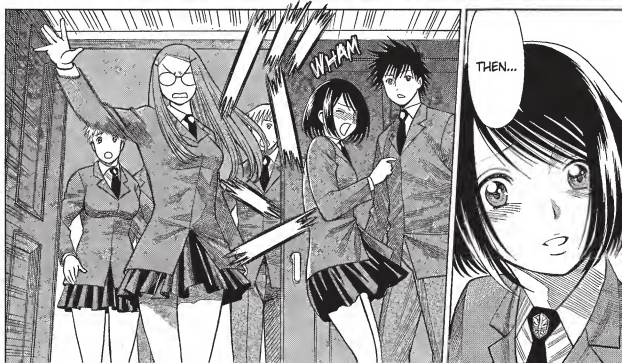
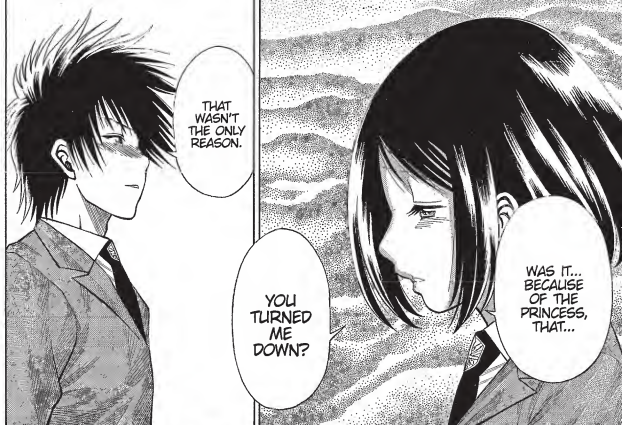
"IT WASN'T
BECAUSE
OF YOUR
EFFORTS..."

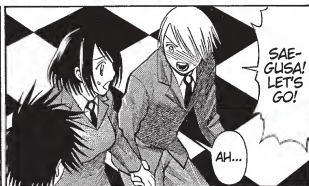
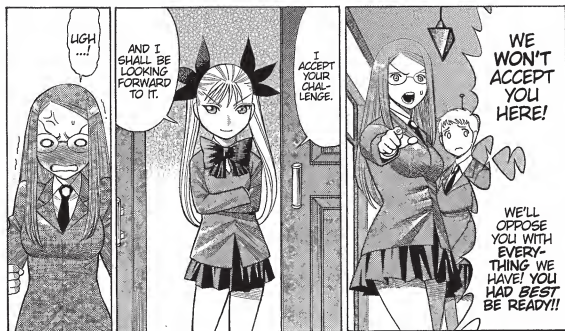
YOU SHOW
UP AND SAY,
"WE'RE THE
ONES WHO
REBUILT THIS
COUNTRY..."

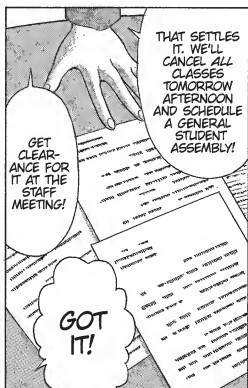
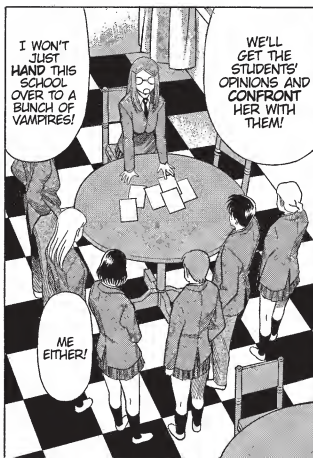
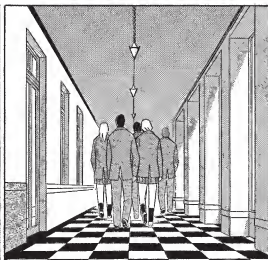
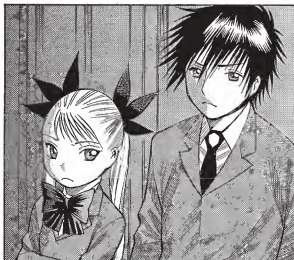
IT MUST HAVE
BEEN FUN,
TOYING WITH
A BUNCH OF
KIDS PLAYING
SCHOOL!

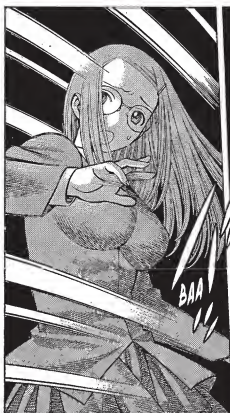
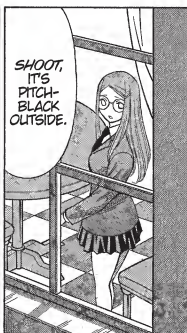
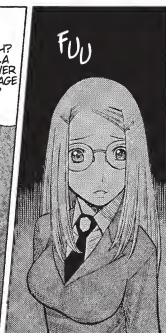
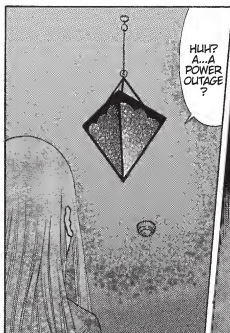


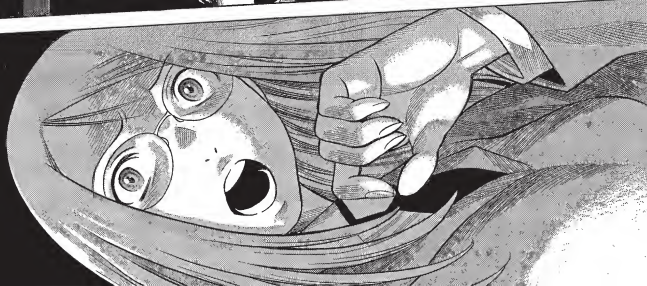


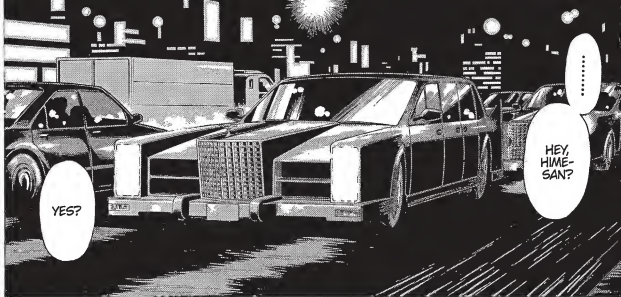












YES?

HEY,
HIME-
SAN?



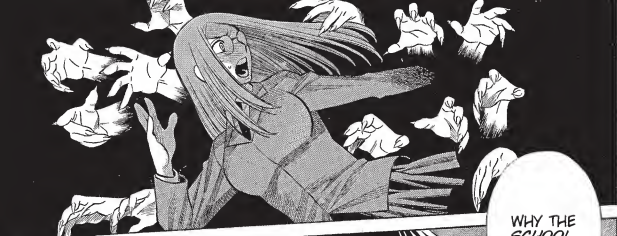
OH, MINOR
CONFRONTA-
TIONS LIKE
THIS ARE
ALWAYS
TO BE
EXPECTED...

HOW
ARE YOU
GOING
TO
HANDLE
THIS?

TAKING CARE
OF THE
PROBLEMS
BETWEEN
YOU AND THE
STUDENT
COUNCIL
ISN'T GOING
TO BE EASY.

AND
THERE
ARE AN
ENDLESS
NUMBER
OF WAYS
TO DEAL
WITH
THEM.

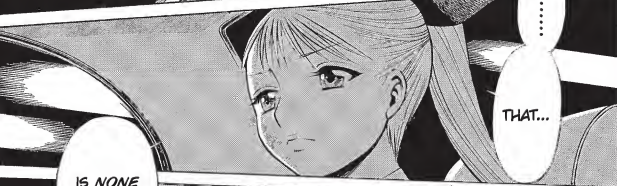




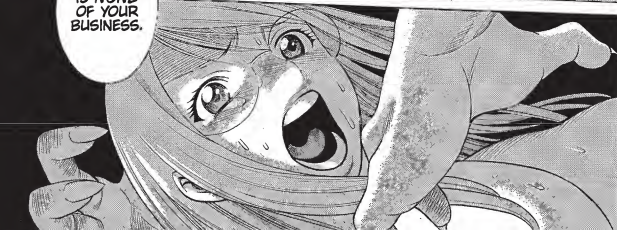
WHY THE
SCHOOL,
THOUGH?



WHAT
ARE YOU
UP TO?



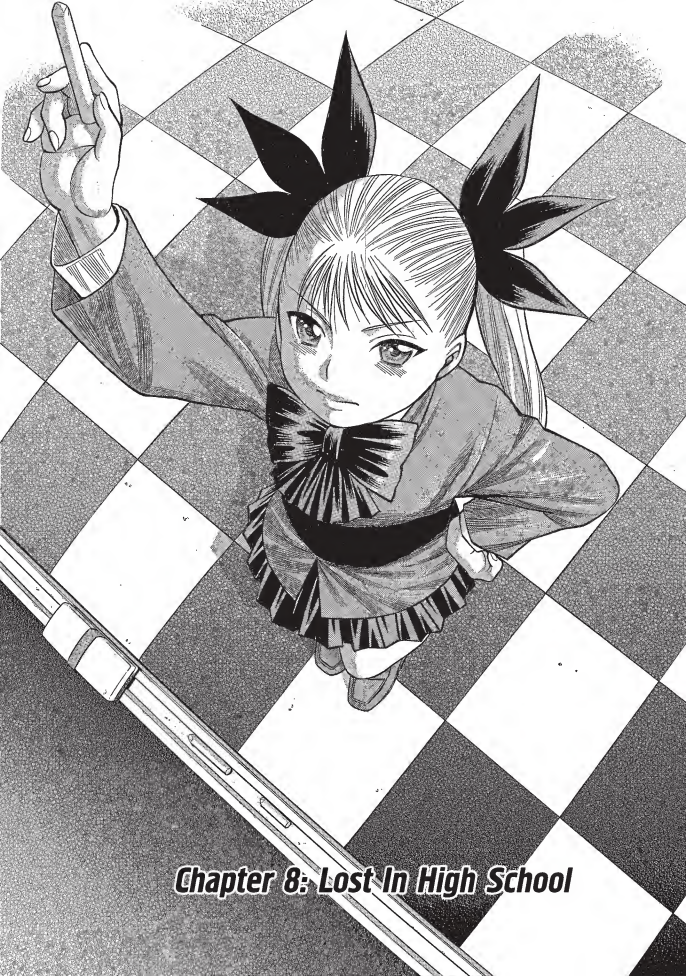
THAT...



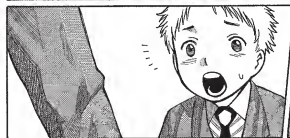
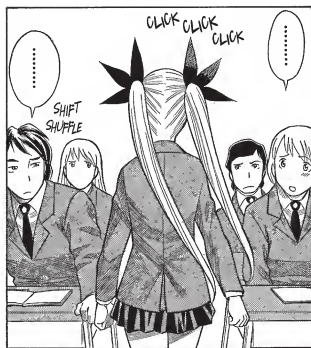
IS NONE
OF YOUR
BUSINESS.

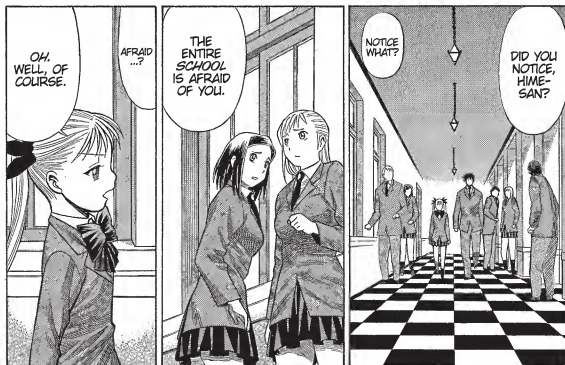
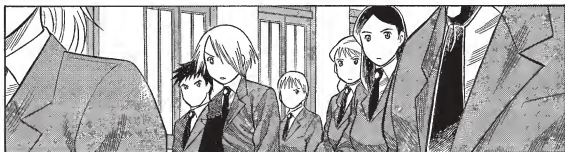
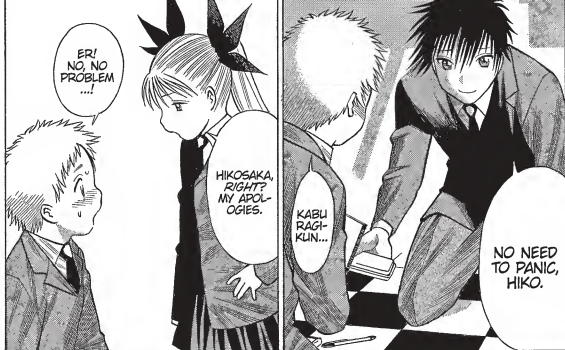


NOOOOOO!!



Chapter 8: Lost In High School







AND ABOUT THAT... I DO HAVE A LOT OF THINGS I WANT TO ASK--

I MEANT THEY'RE AFRAID BECAUSE OF WHAT HAPPENED TO THE STUDENT COUNCIL PRESIDENT.

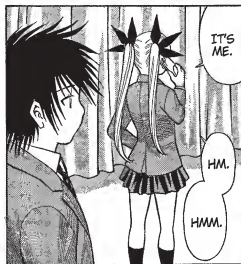


VERY FUNNY.

PRETTY LITTLE GIRL!

I MAY LOOK LIKE A PRETTY LITTLE GIRL, BUT I AM STILL THE RULER OF ALL VAMPIRES.

IF I DIDN'T TERRIFY THEM, I WOULD HAVE TO SERIOUSLY QUESTION MY ABILITIES AS A RULER.



IT'S ME.

HMM.

HMM.



FOR YOU, IT'S WORK.



YES, DIRECTOR'S OFFICE.

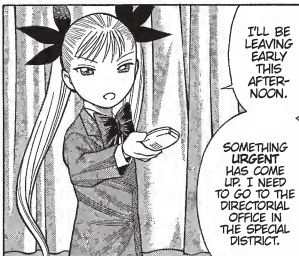
YEAH... HANG ON FOR A SEC, PLEASE.

OH... HEY, VERA-SAN.



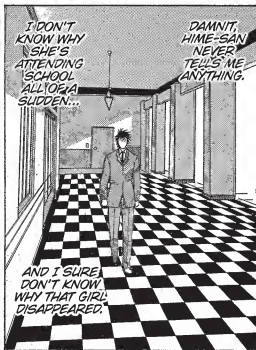
I SEE... I'LL GO GRAB MY STUFF THEN.

NO, I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO'S GOING. YOU STAY HERE AND GO TO CLASS.

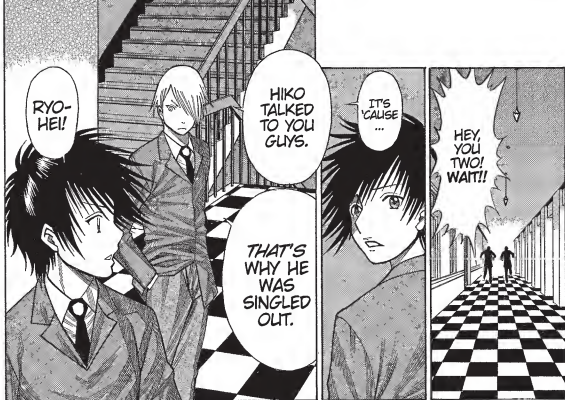


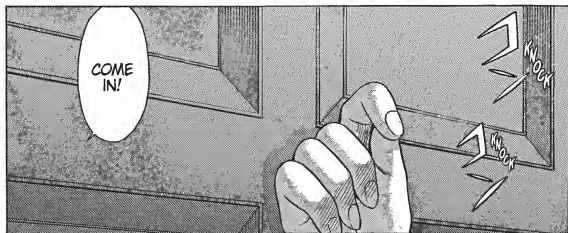
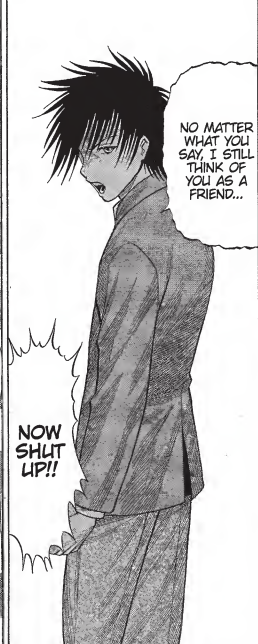
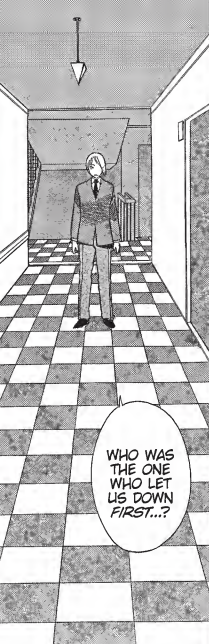
I'LL BE LEAVING EARLY THIS AFTERNOON.

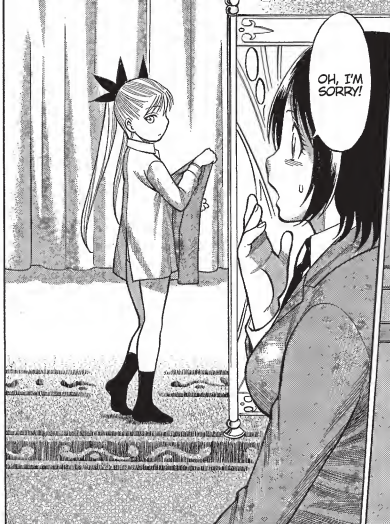
SOMETHING URGENT HAS COME UP. I NEED TO GO TO THE DIRECTORIAL OFFICE IN THE SPECIAL DISTRICT.











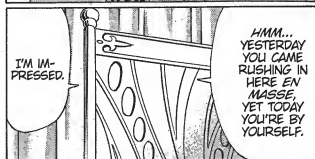
OH, I'M
SORRY!



EXCUSE
ME.



I CAME
AS A
REPRESENTATIVE
OF THE
STUDENT
COUNCIL.



I'M IM-
PRESSED.

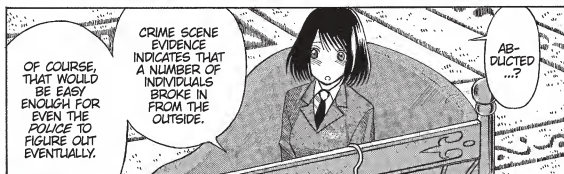
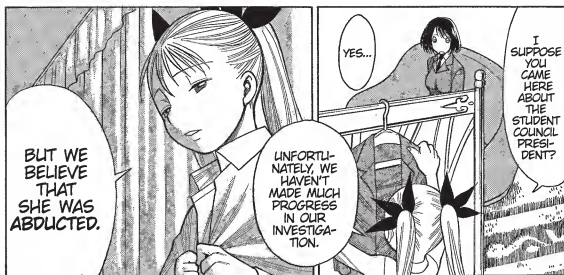
HMM...
YESTERDAY
YOU CAME
RUSHING IN
HERE EN
MASSE,
YET TODAY
YOU'RE BY
YOURSELF.

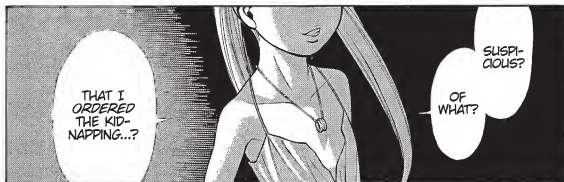


I WAS
GETTING
READY
TO LEAVE.

PLEASE
EXCUSE
MY
ATTIRE.

YOU
ARE
...?

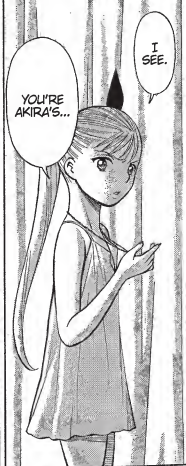






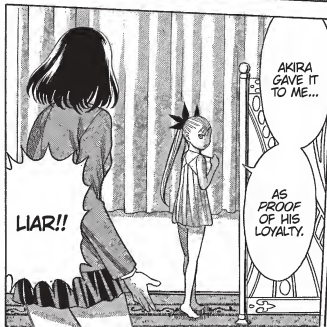
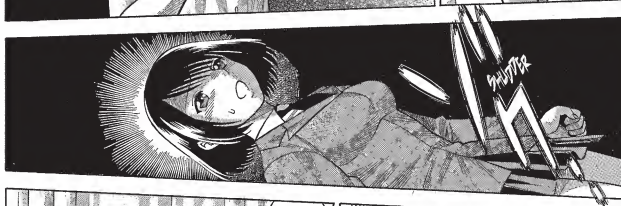


SO IT
WAS
YOU.



YOU'RE
AKIRA'S...

I
SEE.



LIAR!!

AKIRA
GAVE IT
TO ME...

AS
PROOF
OF HIS
LOYALTY.

WHY
DO YOU
HAVE
IT?!



OH MY
GOD. IT...
IT IS THE
RING I
GAVE TO
AKIRA-
KUN...!



YOU THINK
YOU KNOW
AKIRA SO
WELL... LET
ME TELL YOU
SOMETHING...

AKIRA
IS
MINE!!

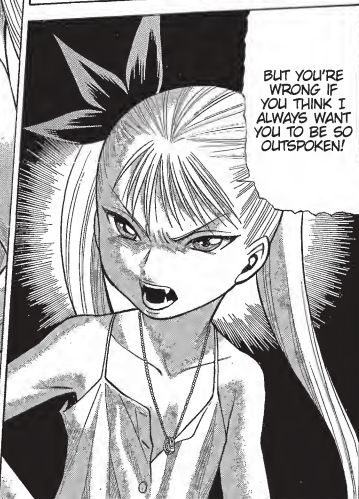


HMM...
YOU CALL
THE RULER
OF ALL
VAMPIRES
A LIAR...

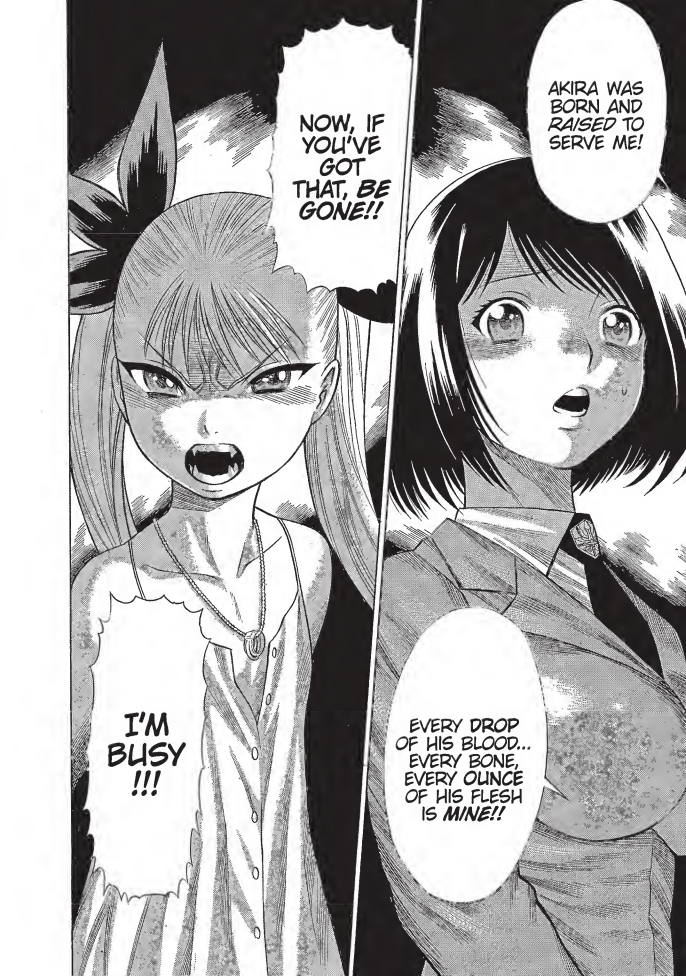
YOUR
COURAGE
IS TRULY
LIMITLESS.



AKIRA-KUN
WOULD
NEVER JUST
GIVE AWAY
A GIFT LIKE
THAT!



BUT YOU'RE
WRONG IF
YOU THINK I
ALWAYS WANT
YOU TO BE SO
OUTSPOKEN!

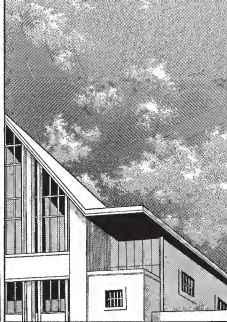
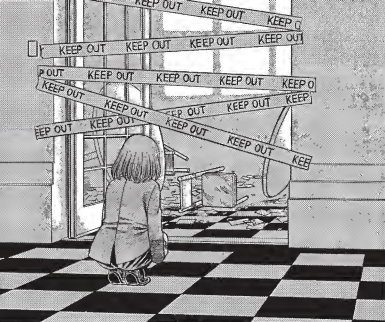


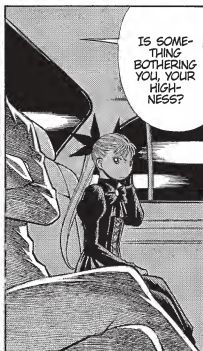
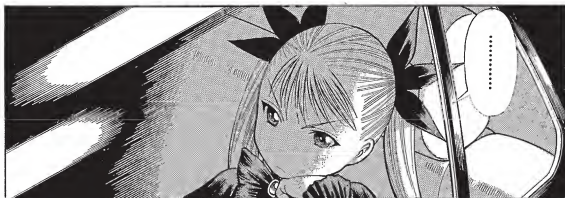
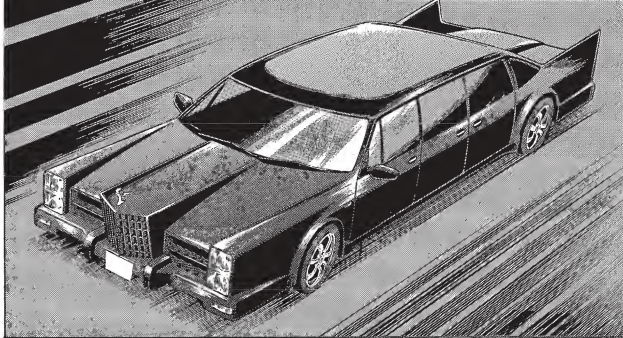
NOW, IF
YOU'VE
GOT
THAT, BE
GONE!!

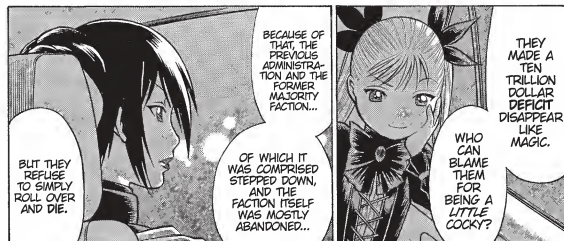
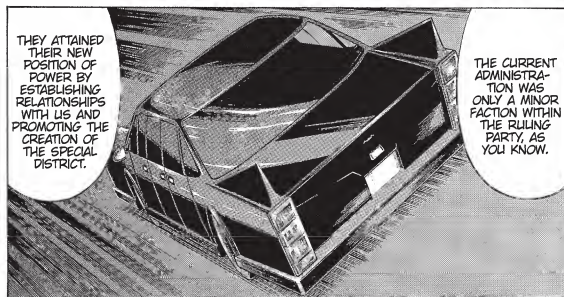
I'M
BUSY
!!!

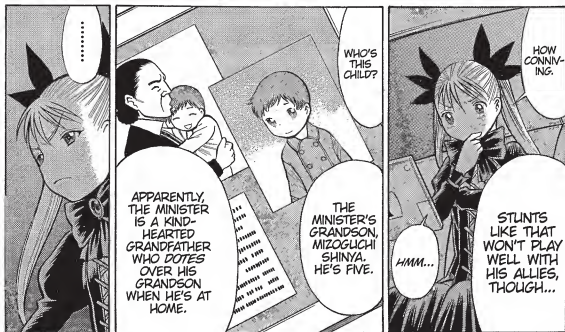
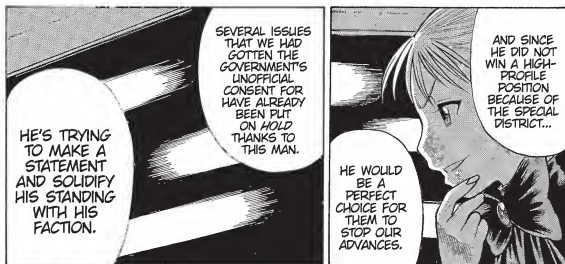
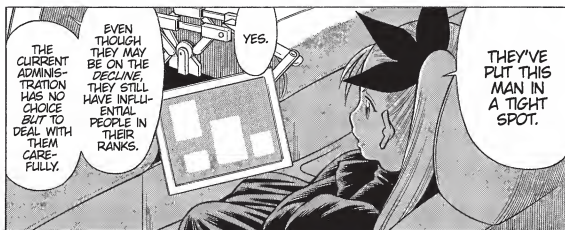
AKIRA WAS
BORN AND
RAISED TO
SERVE ME!

EVERY DROP
OF HIS BLOOD...
EVERY BONE,
EVERY OUNCE
OF HIS FLESH
IS MINE!!











BUT IN
ORDER TO
EXPOSE
WHOEVER IS
PULLING HIS
STRINGS, WE
MUST BE
CAREFUL
ABOUT HOW
WE HANDLE
HIM.



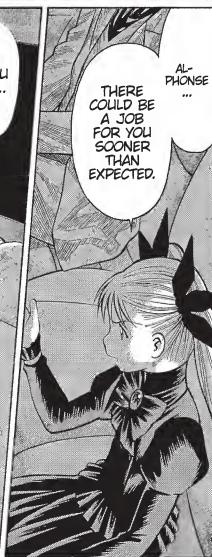
HE MAY
BE A BIT
TROUBLE-
SOME...

BUT HE'S
NOTHING.
WE DON'T
HAVE
ANYTHING
TO FEAR
FROM HIM.



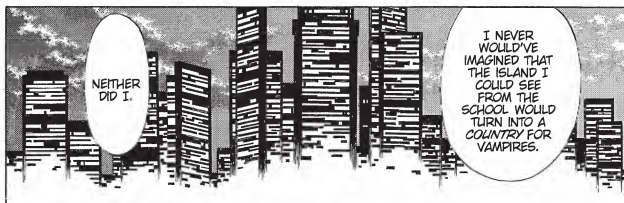
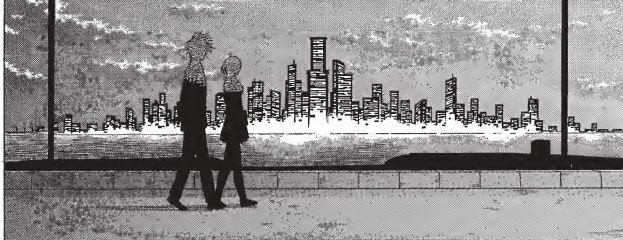
YOUR
HIGHNESS.

AS YOU
WISH...

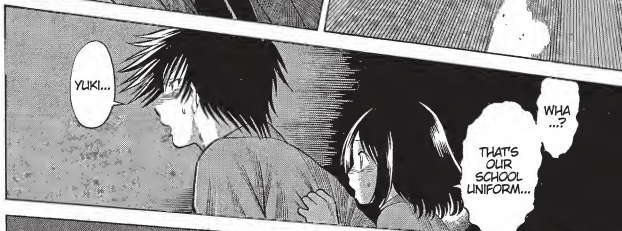
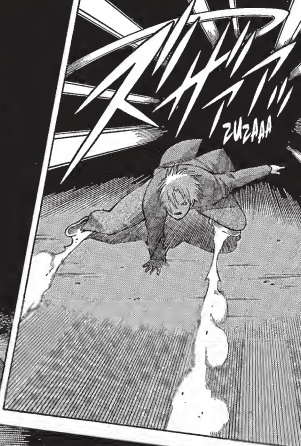


AL-
PHONSE
...

THERE
COULD BE
A JOB
FOR YOU
SOONER
THAN
EXPECTED.







YUKI...

WHA
...?

THAT'S
OUR
SCHOOL
UNIFORM...



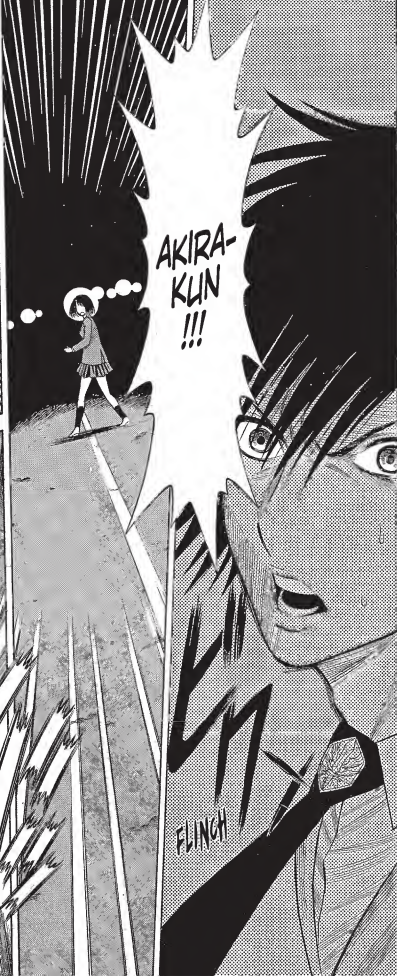
BUT,
AKIRA-
KUN!

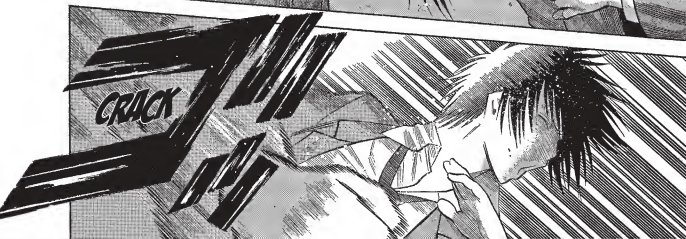
WHEN I
GIVE THE
SIGN, RUN
BACK THE
WAY WE
CAME AS
FAST AS
YOU CAN.

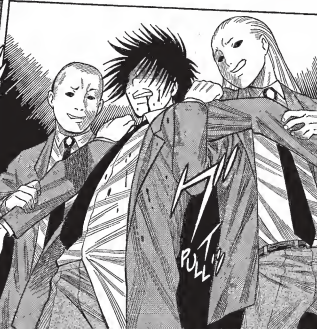
DON'T
LOOK
BACK!

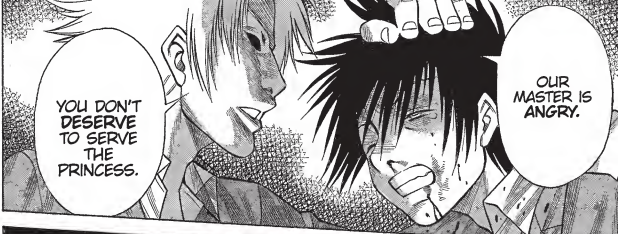










A black and white manga panel showing two characters. On the left, a character with short, light-colored hair is looking towards the right. On the right, a character with dark, spiky hair is looking down with a distressed expression, his hand near his mouth. The background is dark and textured.

YOU DON'T
DESERVE
TO SERVE
THE
PRINCESS.

OUR
MASTER IS
ANGRY.

A large black and white manga panel featuring a close-up of the character with light-colored hair. He has a wide, menacing grin showing his teeth and is raising his right fist. The background is solid black.

CONSIDER
THIS YOUR
ONLY
WARNING.

A DOG
SHOULD
KNOW
ITS
PROPER
PLACE.

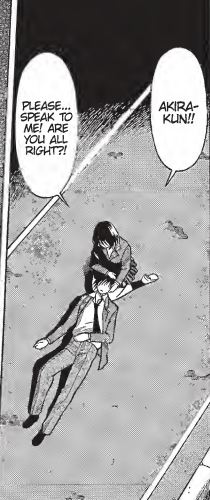
A black and white manga panel showing the aftermath of an impact. A large, stylized sound effect 'CRAAAACK' is written in a jagged, blocky font. Below it, several rectangular pieces of debris are flying through the air, and a large cloud of black ink splatters covers the bottom right portion of the panel.

CRAAAACK



AKIRA-
KUN...

YUKI...



PLEASE...
SPEAK TO
ME! ARE
YOU ALL
RIGHT?!

AKIRA-
KUN!!



OH
MY
GOD!

AKIRA-
KUN!



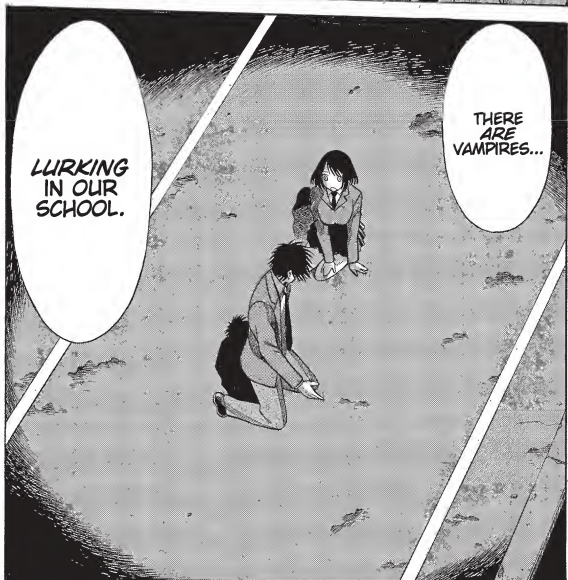
I...I'M
FINE,
BUT...
YOU...

ARE
YOU
OKAY
...?



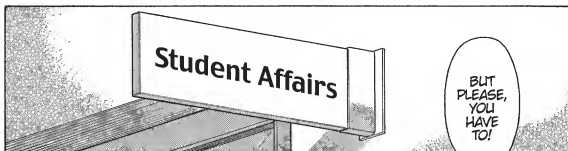
BUT
MORE
IMPOR-
TANTLY...

DON'T
WORRY...
I'LL BE
FINE IN
NO TIME.

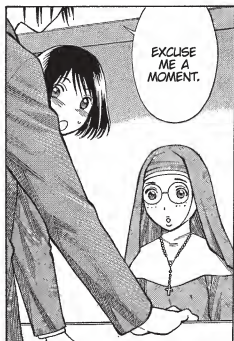
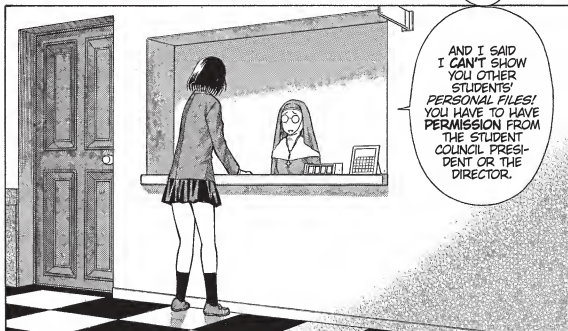


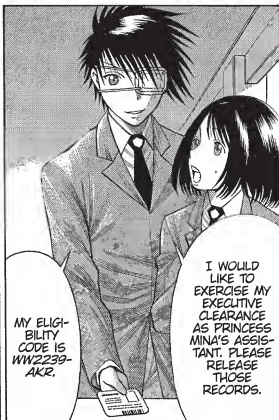
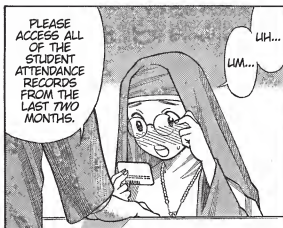


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BUT
PLEASE,
YOU
HAVE
TO!



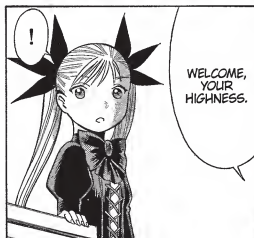




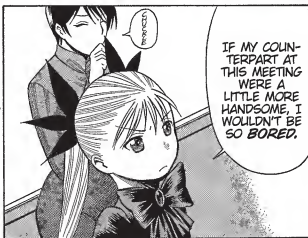


HIME-
SAMA, WE
SHOULD
TRY TO BE
PATIENT
JUST A
LITTLE
WHILE
LONGER.

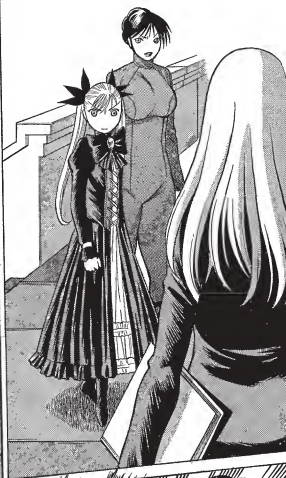
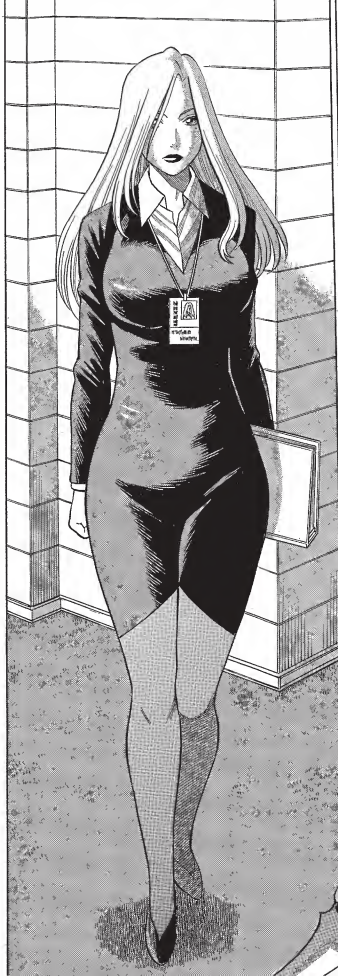
HOW MANY
TIMES HAVE I
WALKED UP
THESE STAIRS
NOW?

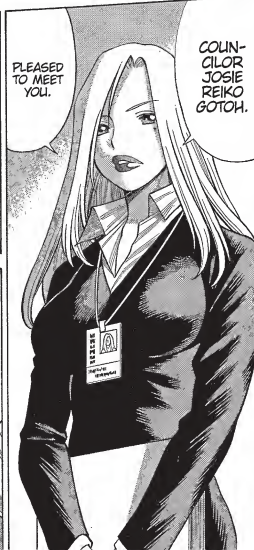
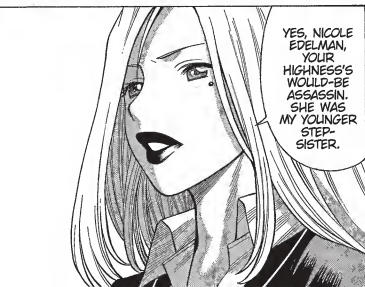
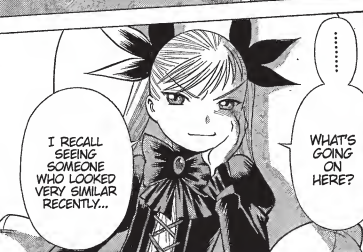
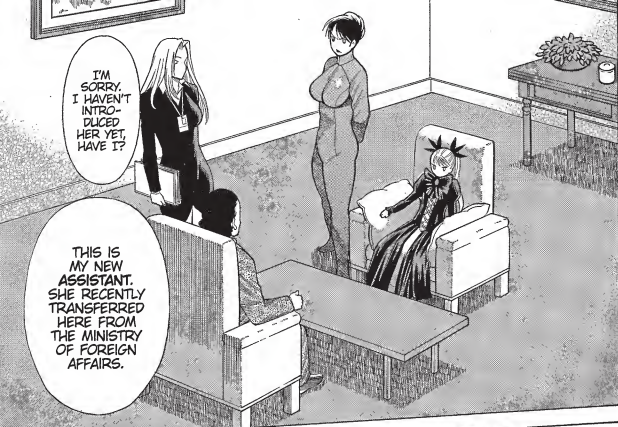


WELCOME,
YOUR
HIGHNESS.



IF MY COUN-
TERPART AT
THIS MEETING
WERE A
LITTLE MORE
HANDSOME, I
WOULDN'T BE
SO BORED.







BEING SO CLOSE TO THE PERPETRATOR, THERE WERE SOME CONCERNS WHETHER THIS MOVE WOULD GO AHEAD...

IT WAS DECIDED TO ASSIGN JOSIE TO THIS POST BEFORE THAT INCIDENT EVER TOOK PLACE.



I SEE.

BUT IT HAS FINALLY GONE THROUGH, THANKS TO HER STRONG INSISTENCE.



OF COURSE NOT.

AND YOU HAVE NO QUALMS ABOUT WORKING WITH ME?



WHEN OUR PARENTS DIVORCED TWENTY YEARS AGO, I STAYED WITH MY MOTHER IN JAPAN...

AND NICOLE WENT WITH HER FATHER BACK TO AMERICA.

I HADN'T HEARD FROM HER IN YEARS.

AND UNFORTUNATELY, I HAVE NO WAY OF KNOWING WHAT MOTIVATED HER TO CARRY OUT SUCH A HORRIBLE ACT.



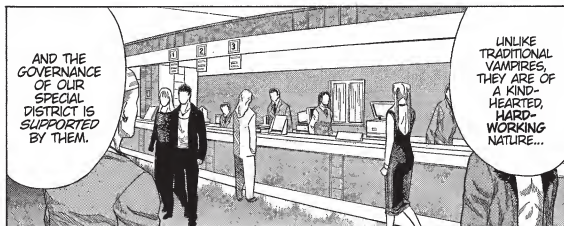
NOW... MINISTER.

I HOPE YOU HAVE A GOOD ANSWER FOR ME TODAY.



VERY WELL. THEN THERE'S NO REASON FOR US TO BE CONCERNED.

AT LEAST FOR NOW...





IT WILL BE
A FUTURE
BENEFIT,
BOTH FOR
US AND
HUMAN
SOCIETY.

THE
WHOLE
POINT
OF THE
EXERCISE
IS TO
INTE-
GRATE
WITH
HUMANS.



THEN YOU
SHOULD BUILD
A SCHOOL
INSIDE THE
SPECIAL
DISTRICT.



MUTTER...

THOUGH I
CAN'T
ENVISION
ANY SORT
OF FUTURE
FOR YOU...



I'D PREFER
YOU KEEP
YOUR
ACTIVITIES
CONFINED
TO THE
ISLAND.

WE DON'T
WANT TO
HAVE
VAMPIRES
TRAVELING
TO THE
MAINLAND.

IN
ANY
CASE...



WE NEED
TO BEGIN
TRAINING
PERSONNEL
TO RUN THIS
COUNTRY AS
SOON AS
POSSIBLE.

ONE DAY,
OUR
KINGDOM
WILL BE A
SMALL
NATION OF
ITS OWN,
WITH OVER
100,000
INHABIT-
ANTS.



.....
IT
ESSENTIALLY
APPEARS
TO BE A
RESOUND-
ING "NO."

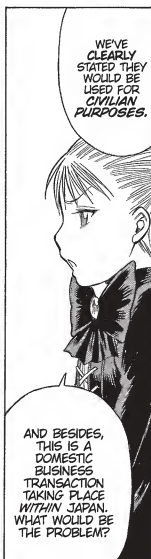


THAT
SHOULD
BE
ENOUGH
FOR THIS
SUBJECT.

LET'S
MOVE
ONTO
THE
BIGGER
ISSUE...



WEREN'T
YOU THE ONE
WHO SAID THE
SPECIAL DISTRICT
WAS ITS *OWN*
INDEPENDENT
NATION?



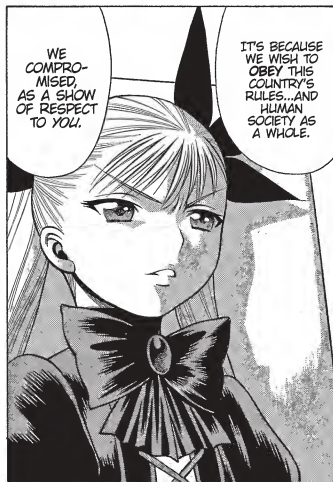
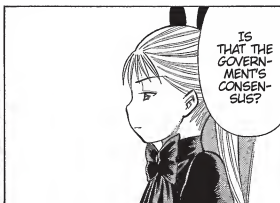
WE'VE
CLEARLY
STATED THEY
WOULD BE
USED FOR
CIVILIAN
PURPOSES.

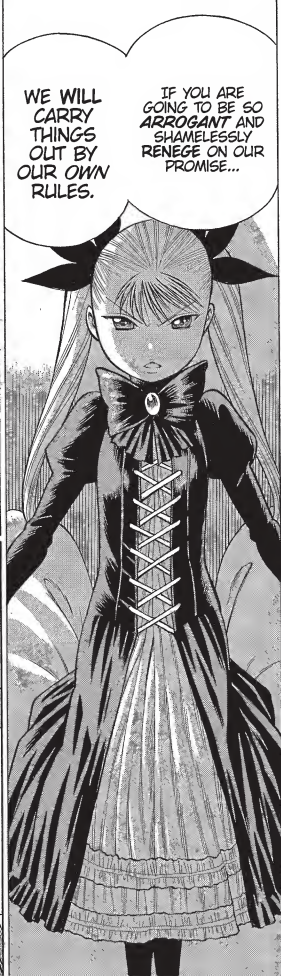
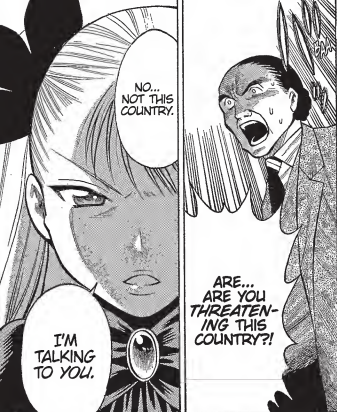
AND BESIDES,
THIS IS A
DOMESTIC
BUSINESS
TRANSACTION
TAKING PLACE
WITHIN JAPAN.
WHAT WOULD BE
THE PROBLEM?

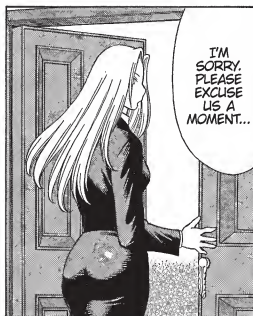


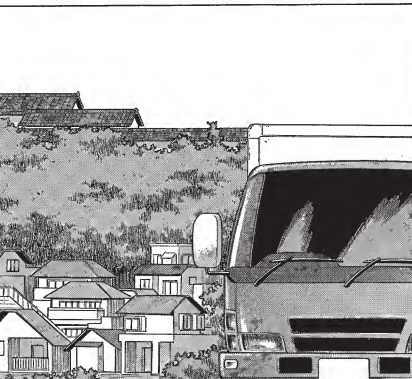
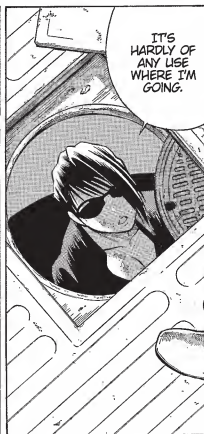
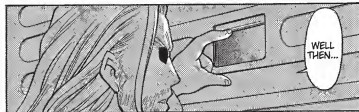
ALL FACILITIES AND
EQUIPMENT YOU
ARE REQUESTING
ARE ITEMS THAT
COULD BE
CONVERTED FOR
MILITARY USE.

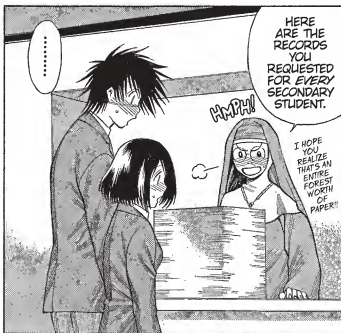
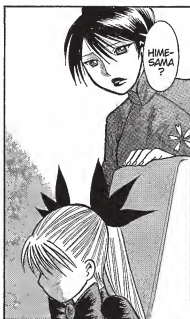
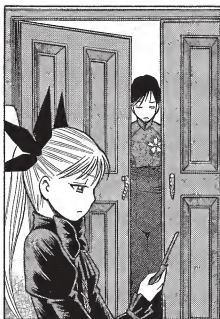
THEY WOULD
BE AGAINST
SEVERAL
EXPORT
REGULATIONS.



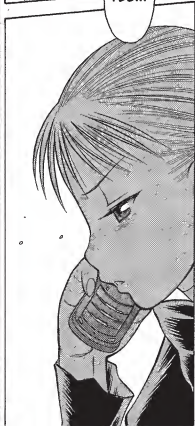
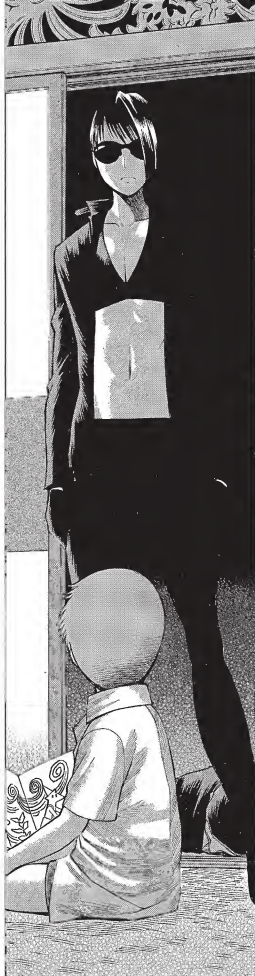












HEY...
HIME-
SAN.

I...

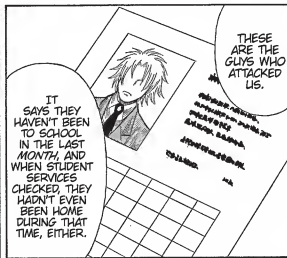
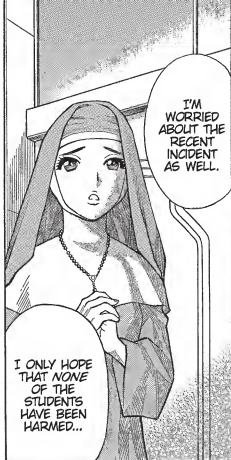
I CAN
HAVE
FAITH IN
YOU,
RIGHT?

YES...



BELIEVE
IN ME.







I'M GUESSING
THAT THEIR
"MASTER"
INFILTRATED
THE SCHOOL IN
ADVANCE AND
WAS WAITING
FOR SOMETHING
TO FALL INTO
HIS NET.



THESE
GLYS
ARE ALL
KNOWN
DELIN-
QUENTS.

WHOEVER
DID THIS
WAS
PRETTY
SMART.

THEY NEVER
CAME TO
SCHOOL TO
BEGIN WITH,
SO NOBODY
WAS GOING
TO SUSPECT
ANYTHING.



PROBABLY
RIGHT AFTER
HIME-SAN
CAME TO THIS
COUNTRY...



IN AD-
VANCE...?
LIKE, HOW
LONG
AGO?



I SEE EVEN
A CLR HAS
ENOUGH
WITS TO
FIGURE
THAT MUCH
OUT.

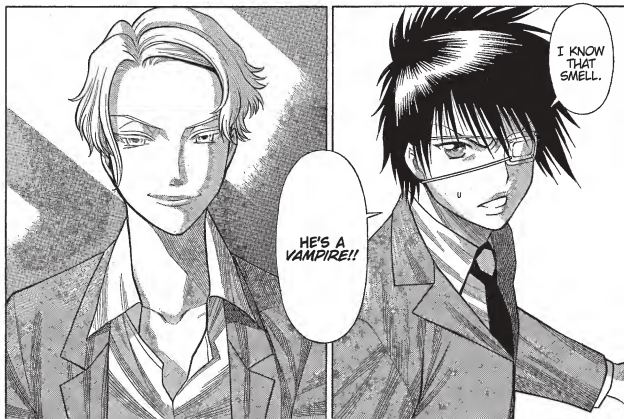
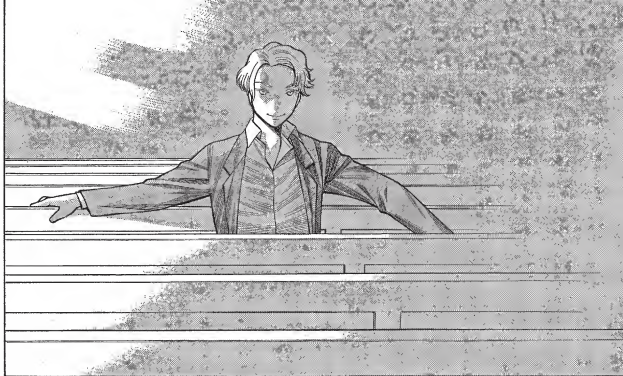
BRA-
VO!



IT'S
SOMEONE
WHO'S
CLOSE
TO HER.

IN
OTHER
WORDS
...

THIS GUY
KNEW THAT
HIME-SAN
WOULD
EVENTUALLY
COME TO
THIS SCHOOL.
HE WAS
PREPARING
FOR IT.





GLAD YOU
COULD
TAKE THE
TIME TO
STOP BY.

SO
YOU'RE THE
"MASTER"
THOSE
GUYS WERE
TALKING
ABOUT.

YOU
DOGS DON'T
LEARN, DO
YOU? EVEN
AFTER I
WARNED
YOU...



WHAT DO
YOU KNOW
ABOUT HER
HIGHNESS?

DO YOU
REALLY
THINK
THAT
HIME-SAN
WANTS
THAT?!

THAT'S
WHAT THE
SPECIAL
DISTRICT
IS FOR.

THAT'S
WHAT OUR
KINGDOM
IS FOR.

RULE BY
POWER AND
BLOOD IS
WHAT IS
NEEDED.

SHE
DISTANCES
HERSELF
FROM THOSE
OF NOBLE
BLOOD, BUT
PREFERS
TO KEEP
**DOGS AND
HUMANS**
AT HER
SIDE.

HER
HIGH-
NESS IS
A FICKLE
PERSON.



YOUR
KIND
PRIN-
CESS?!

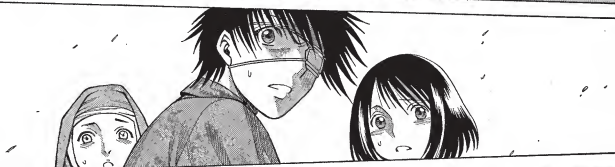
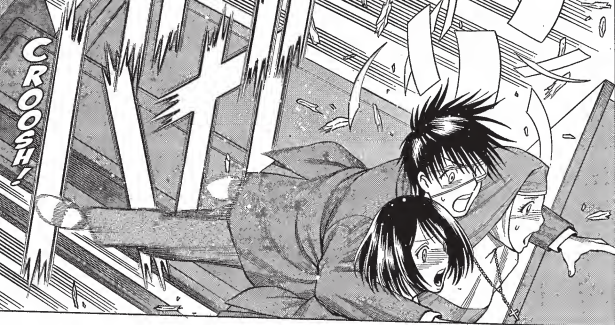


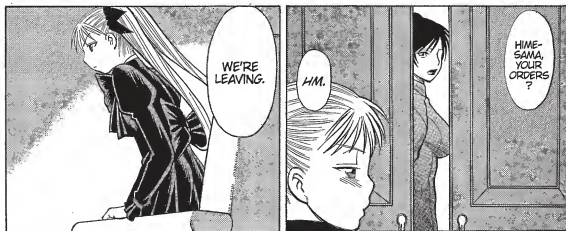
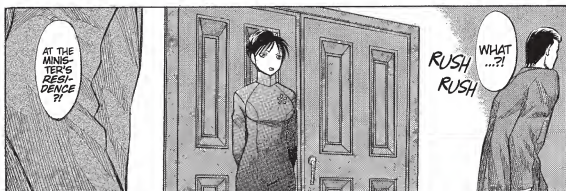
WHAT
DO YOU
MEAN?!

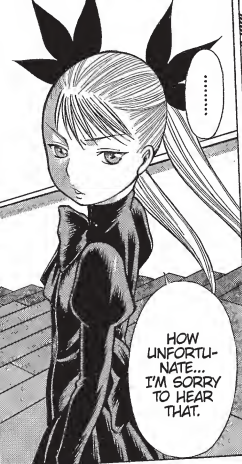
WELL, LET ME
TELL YOU...
HER HIGHNESS
IS NOT THE
KIND, GENTLE
PERSON YOU
THINK SHE IS.



WHO
KNOWS...?
WHY DON'T
YOU ASK...







.....

HOW UNFORTU-
NATE...
I'M SORRY
TO HEAR
THAT.



IT'S...
IT'S MY
GRAND-
SON...

HE...
HE WAS
JUST
ATTACKED
BY VAM-
PIRES!!



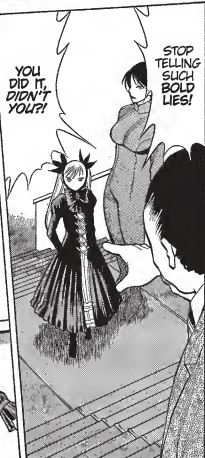
I RETRACT
MY REQUEST
TO ALLOW
VAMPIRES
OFF THE
ISLAND.
NOW,
PLEASE
EXCUSE
ME...

WAIT!
WHERE
DO YOU
THINK
YOU'RE
GOING
?!



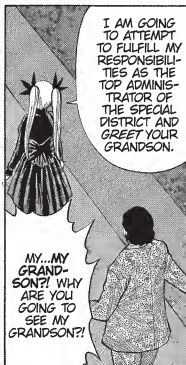
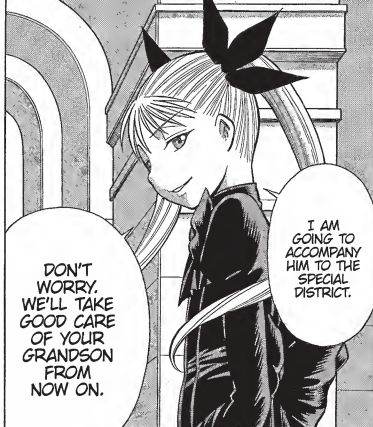
I NEVER
EXPECTED
SOMEBODY
TO COMMIT
SUCH
BARBA-
RISM.

YOU'RE
RIGHT. THIS
HAPPENED
BECAUSE OF
A LACK OF
SUPERVISION
ON MY PART.



YOU
DID IT,
DIDN'T
YOU?!

STOP
TELLING
SUCH
BOLD
LIES!



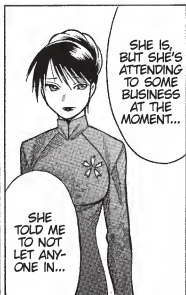
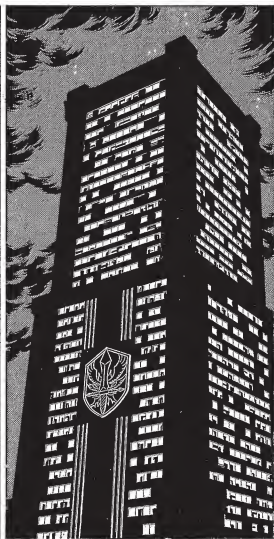


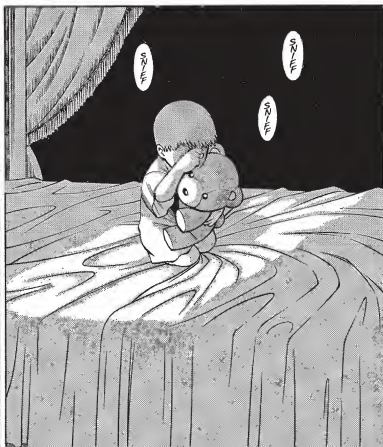
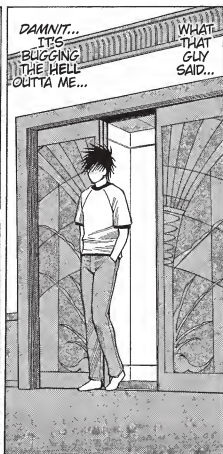
WELL, YOUR
GRANDSON
WAS JUST
BITTEN BY A
VAMPIRE. HE'S
NOW ONE OF
OUR KIN.

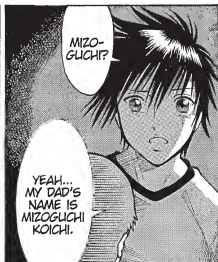
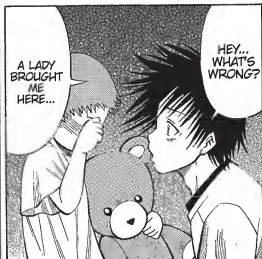
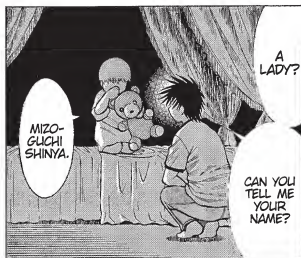
ISN'T THAT
WHAT YOU
MEANT...
MINISTER?

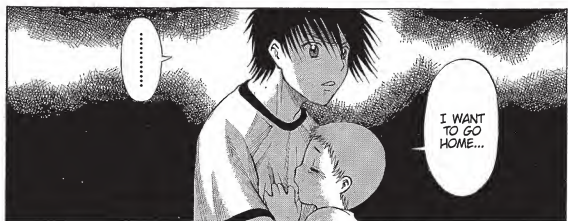
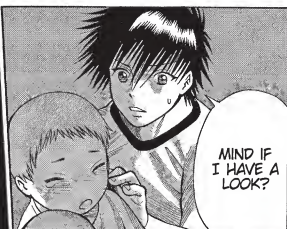
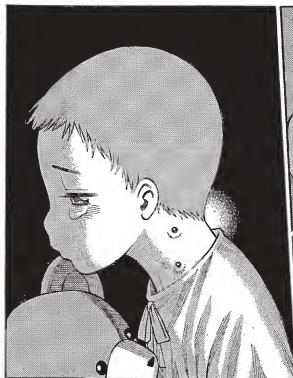


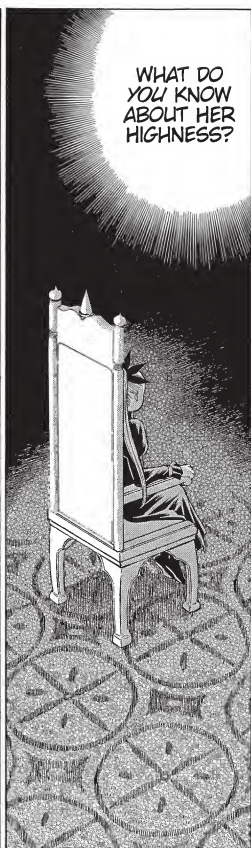
VAMPIRES
SHOULD BE
LOCKED UP
ON THEIR
ISLAND AND
FORBIDDEN
TO LEAVE.









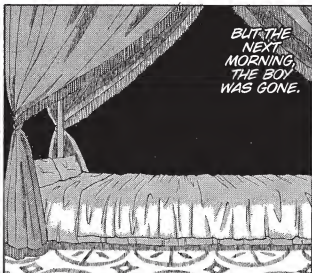




THE NIGHT
PASSED
SLOWLY.



EVEN
PRINCESS
MINA HAD
ALREADY
DEPARTED
FOR SOME
UNKNOWN
DESTINA-
TION.

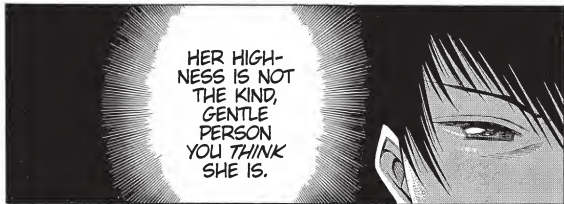


BUT THE
NEXT
MORNING,
THE BOY
WAS GONE.

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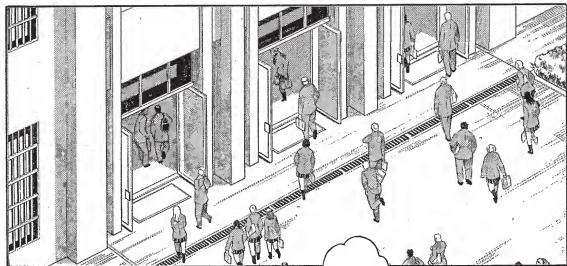
TO BE
HONEST, IT
FELT LIKE I
WAS BEING
KEPT IN THE
DARK...ON
PURPOSE.



HER HIGH-
NESS IS NOT
THE KIND,
GENTLE
PERSON
YOU THINK
SHE IS.

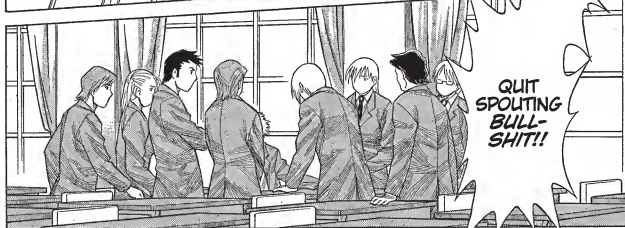
Chapter 10: I Can't See You







HIKO
!!



QUIT
SPOUTING
BULL-
SHIT!!



THEY TOOK
OVER THE
SCHOOL A
LONG TIME
AGO.

HECK,
THE GUY
STANDING
NEXT TO YOU
COULD BE A
VAMPIRE.



NO WAY
IT'S
BS.



KEEP YOUR DIRTY HANDS ...



DO YOU WANT TO GET BEAT UP AGAIN ?!

DON'T PUSH YOUR LUCK, HIKO!!



KYAAAH!

WHAM



OFF ME!

CRASH



REMEMBER HOW YOU PUSHED ME AROUND BEFORE?

I KNOW EXACTLY HOW YOU FEEL NOW.

EH...



A
VA-
VAM-
PIRE
!!

OH
MY
GOD
...!



TO
TORTURE
PEOPLE
WHO ARE
WEAKER
THAN ME.

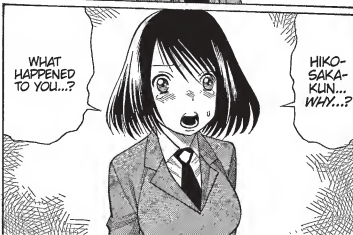
I NEVER
IMAGINED
IT WOULD
BE SO MUCH
FUN...



YET YOU
SHOW
UP FOR
SCHOOL,
UNFAZED.

YOU'RE
A BRAVE
ONE,
AREN'T YOU?

YESTERDAY,
MY MASTER
GAVE YOU A
PERSONAL
WARNING...



WHAT
HAPPENED
TO YOU...?

HIKO-
SAKA-
KUN...
WHY...?



HI-
HIKO-
SAKA...

WELL,
SAE-
GUSA-
SAN...

RATTLE

RATTLE

AHHH!!





I DON'T WANT TO HURT YOU. YOU WERE NICE TO ME...

LET GO OF ME, KABU-RAGI-KUN...



HIKO... LOOK AT YOU!

LOOK AT WHAT YOU'VE TURNED INTO!



DO YOU KNOW WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A VAMPIRE?!!



Whoosh!

POW!

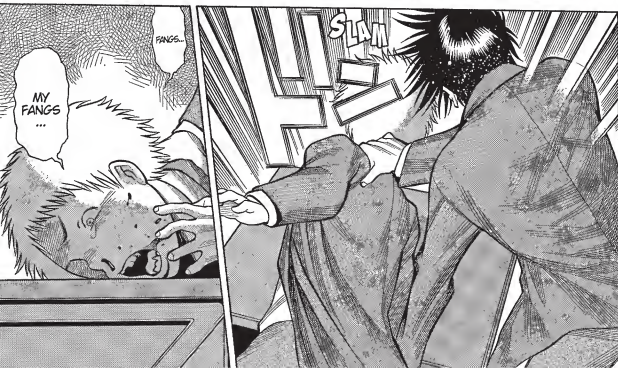
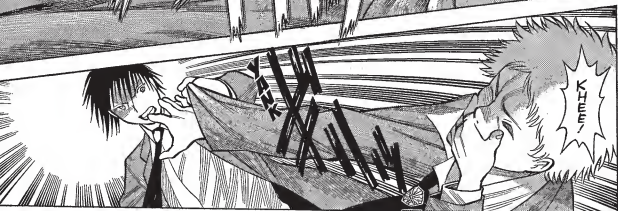
GRAB!

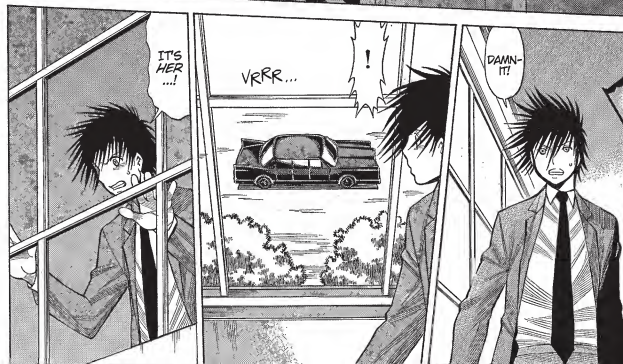
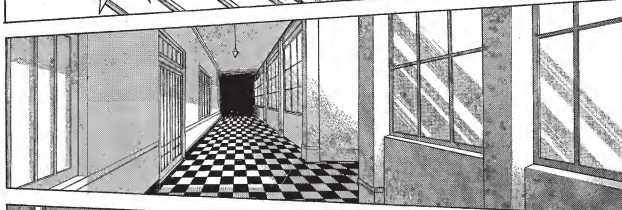
SPIN



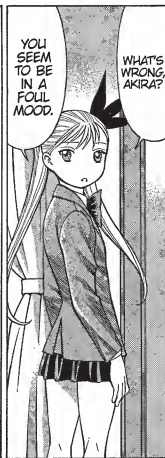
YES! IT MEANS BEING SOMETHING MORE THAN HUMAN...

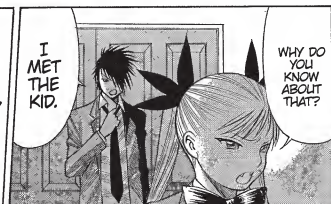
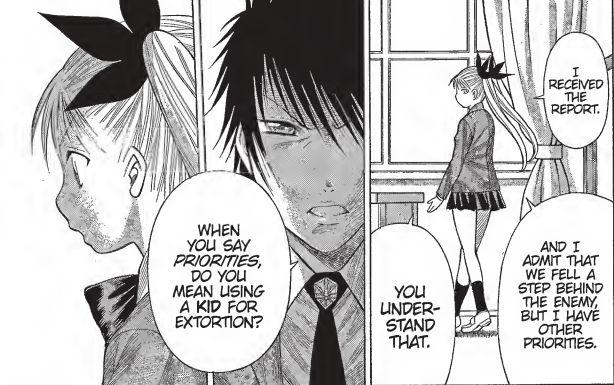
DOESN'T IT?!













THAT'S
WHAT
MAKES
ME
RULER!!

I WILL
NOT
HESITATE
TO USE
WHATEVER
MEANS I
HAVE TO!!

I'M
CARRY-
ING THE
WEIGHT
OF AN
ENTIRE
NATION!



QUIT
BAB-
BLING!

WHAT DO
YOU KNOW
ABOUT
ANYTHING
?!



SO
DON'T
STICK
YOUR
NOSE
INTO
THIS!!

YOU'RE
JUST A
CHILD! YOU
CAN'T BEGIN
TO UNDER-
STAND ANY
KIND OF
LONG-TERM
PLAN!!



WHAT'S
GOING ON
IN THIS
SCHOOL,
AND WHAT
YOU'RE
DOING...

JUST
HOW ARE
THEY ANY
DIFFERENT?!

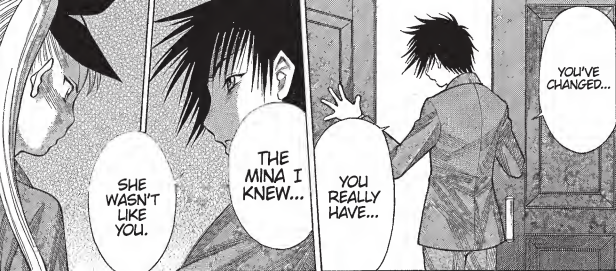
WELL,
WHAT
AM I
SUP-
POSED
TO
THINK?!

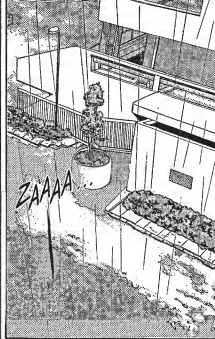


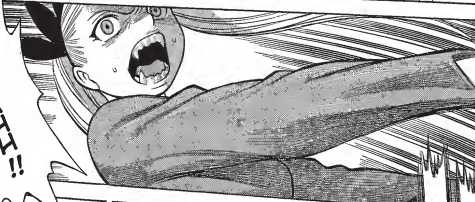
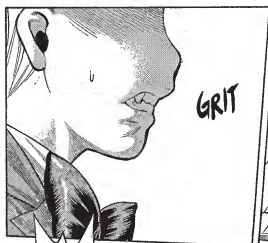
I TOLD
YOU TO
BELIEVE
IN ME!

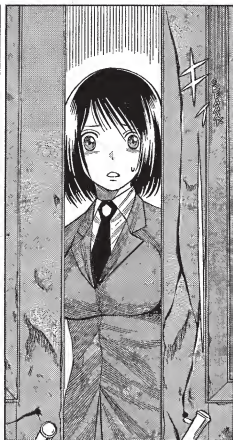
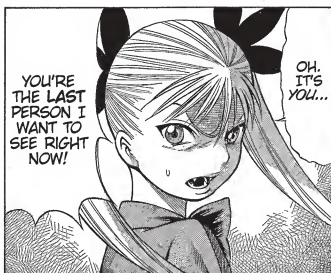


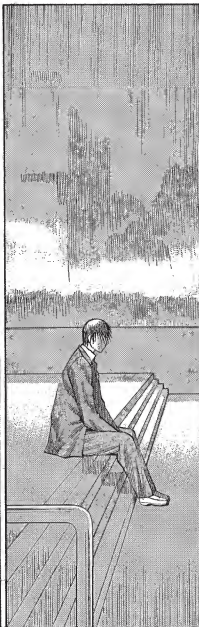
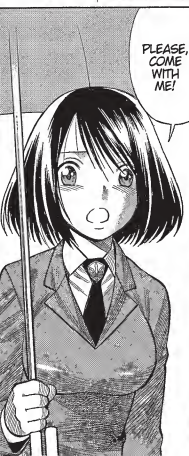
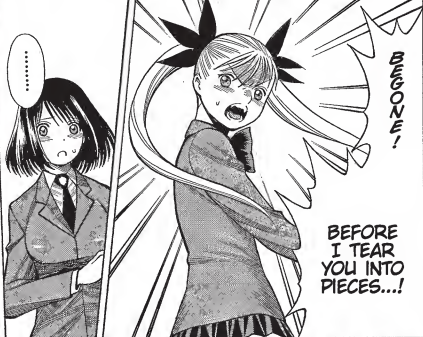
I FEEL
LIKE I
DON'T EVEN
KNOW YOU
ANYMORE.





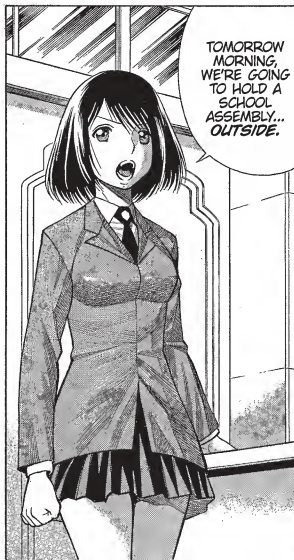








THE MOST
IMPORTANT THING
RIGHT NOW IS
TO IDENTIFY WHICH
STUDENTS HAVE
BECOME VAMPIRES
AND ARE LURKING
AROUND THE
SCHOOL.



TOMORROW
MORNING,
WE'RE GOING
TO HOLD A
SCHOOL
ASSEMBLY...
OUTSIDE.



EVEN
NORMAL
STUDENTS
LIKE
HIKO ARE
BECOMING
VAMPIRES.
THERE'S NO
EASY WAY
TO SPOT
THEM.

BUT
HOW?



THERE *IS*
A WAY TO
IDENTIFY
THEM.

DON'T
WORRY!!

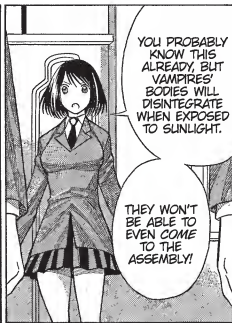


WE'VE
GOT THAT
COVERED,
TOO...
AKIRA-
KUN!



BUT ISN'T
THERE
THAT
LIGHT-
BLOCKING
STUFF?!

CAN'T
THEY USE
THAT AND
SHOW UP?



YOU PROBABLY
KNOW THIS
ALREADY, BUT
VAMPIRES'
BODIES WILL
DISINTEGRATE
WHEN EXPOSED
TO SUNLIGHT.

THEY WON'T
BE ABLE TO
EVEN COME
TO THE
ASSEMBLY!



SO, WE NOTIFY THE
STUDENTS THAT
WE'LL BE HOLDING
A FIFTEEN-MINUTE
ASSEMBLY OUTSIDE,
AND THEN WE
FOLLOW UP ON
EVERYONE WHO
DOESN'T
SHOW UP.

THAT'LL
SORT 'EM
OUT IN NO
TIME FLAT.



THEY'LL
COME.

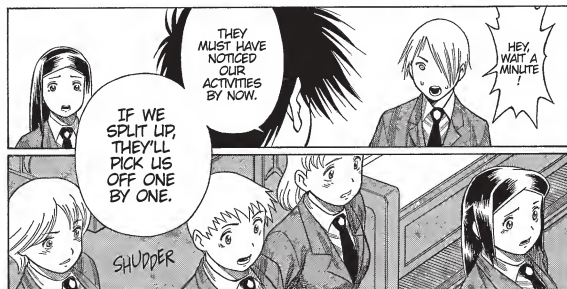
BUT...AFTER
EVERYTHING
THAT'S
HAPPENED,
THERE ARE A
LOT OF KIDS
WHO AREN'T
COMING TO
SCHOOL..

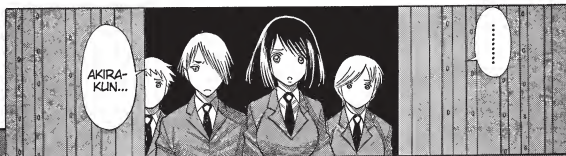
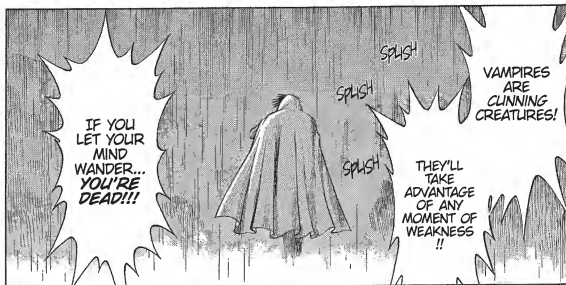
SOME COULD
EVEN BE SICK
AND CAN'T
COME EVEN
IF THEY
WANTED TO--



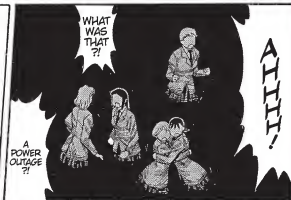
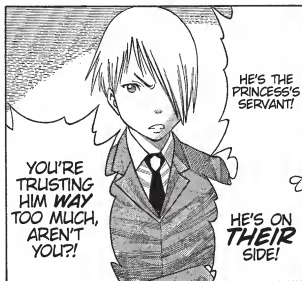
THE LIGHT-
BLOCKING
GEL'S FAR
FROM
PERFECT.
AFTER JUST
FIFTEEN
MINUTES OF
DIRECT
SUNLIGHT...

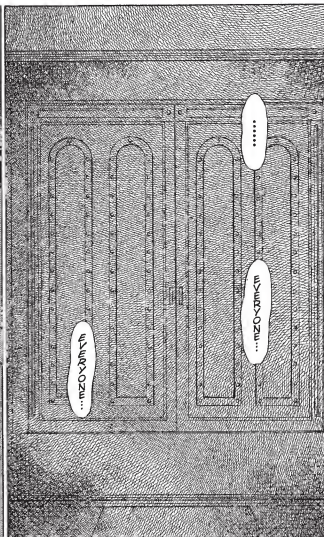
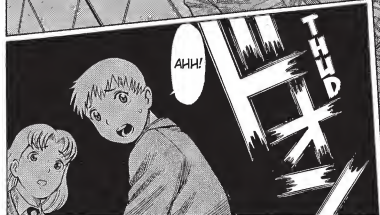
THE STUFF
LOSES ITS
EFFECTIVE-
NESS.











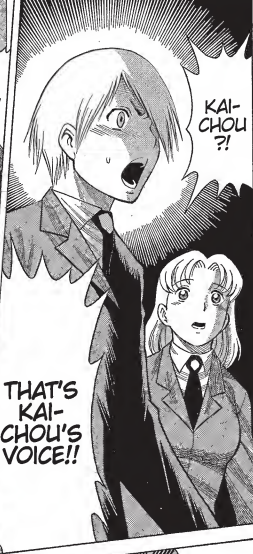


I MAN-
AGED...
TO GET
AWAY.

BUT I
WAS
HURT...

NO
WAY!

KAICHOU?!
KAICHOU,
IS THAT
YOU?!



KAI-
CHOU
?!?

THAT'S
KAI-
CHOU'S
VOICE!!



HANG
ON,
I'LL--

PLEASE...
LET ME...
IN...

RAVE
RAVE
RAVE



YEAH,
SHE WAS
ALL RIGHT!

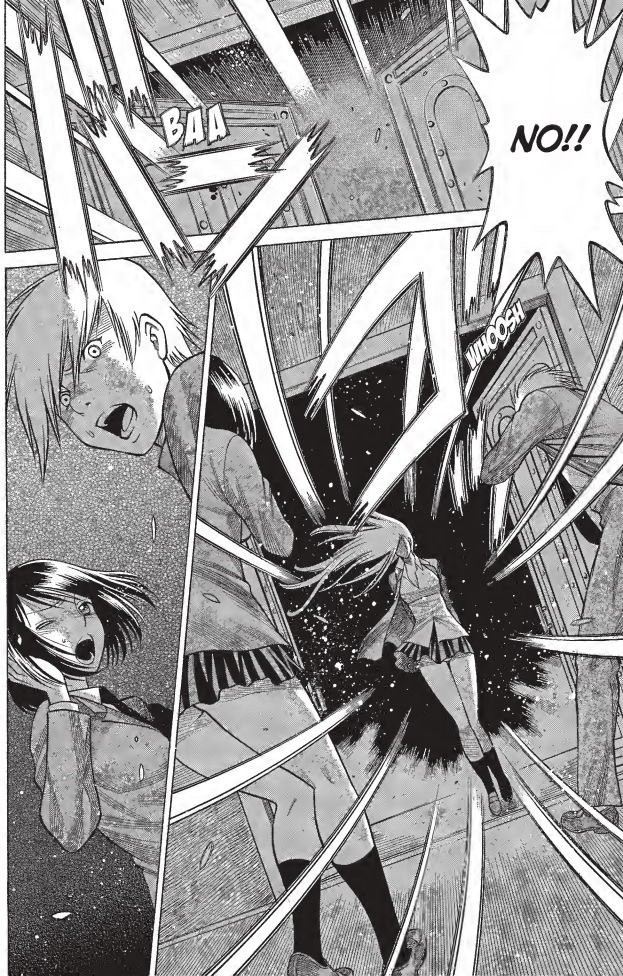
WHAT
ARE YOU
TALKING
ABOUT?!
IT'S
KAICHOU!!

WAIT!!



NO,
WAIT
!!

REMEM-
BER
WHAT
AKIRA-
KUN
SAID!





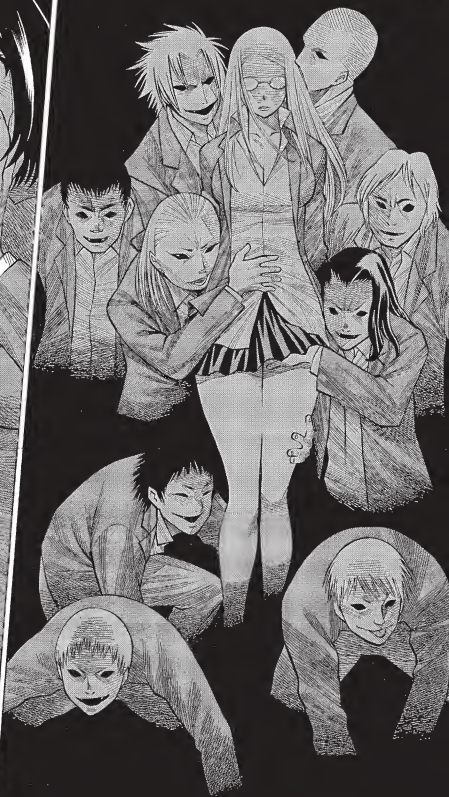
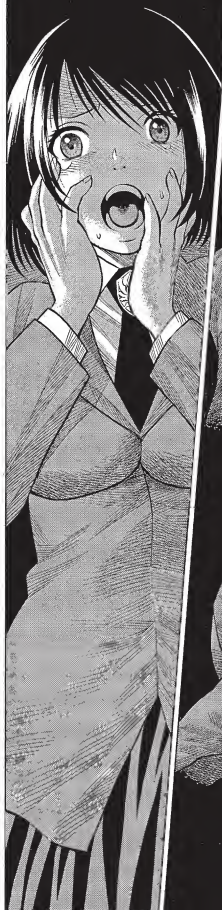
NO,
YUKI-
CHAN...

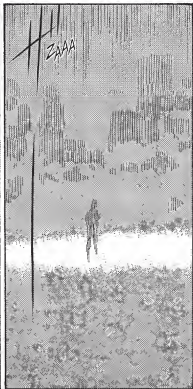
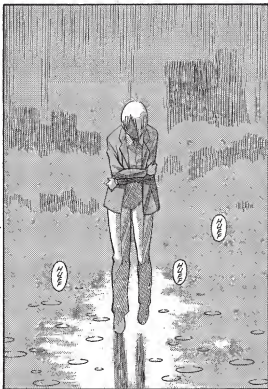
KA...

NOT
ANYMORE.

KAI-
CHOU
...?

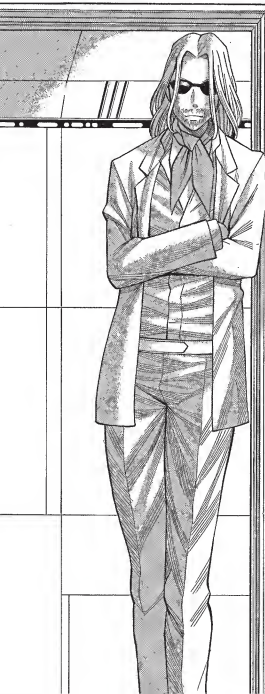
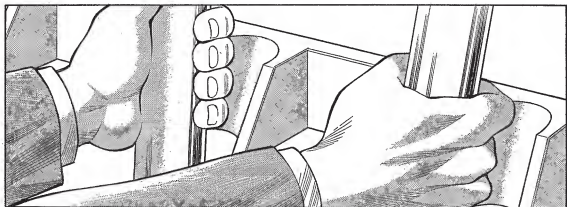
KRI-
KROOSH

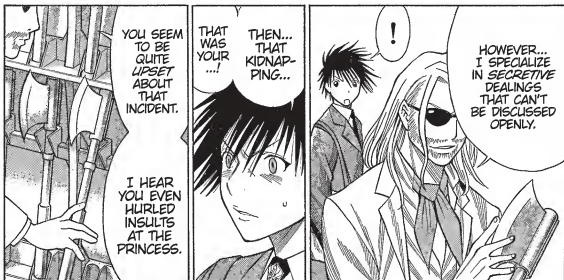
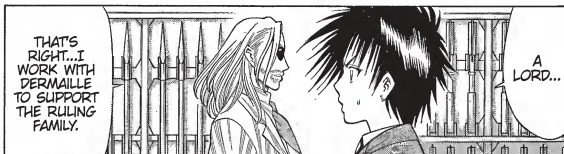
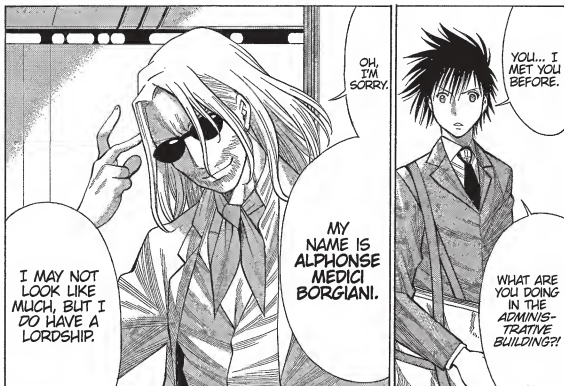




Chapter 11: Corrupt Academy









WHAT ABOUT YOU, ON THE OTHER HAND?

HER HIGHNESS MERELY DID WHAT SHE MUST AS RULER.



THAT MAKES HER JUST AS GUILTY!!

SHE WAS THE ONE WHO APPROVED IT!



I'LL HAVE YOU KNOW THAT I WAS THE ONE WHO CAME UP WITH THAT IDEA AND SUGGESTED IT TO HER.

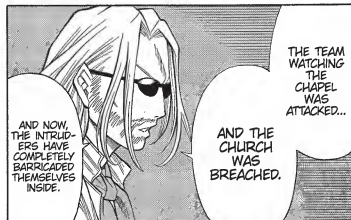
YOU'D BE MISTAKEN TO BLAME THE PRINCESS.



DO YOU KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON AT THAT CHAPEL RIGHT NOW?

AND NOW YOU'RE HERE, LEAVING BEHIND THE FRIENDS YOU WERE SUPPOSED TO PROTECT.

YOU ABANDONED YOUR DUTY TO SERVE BY HER SIDE...



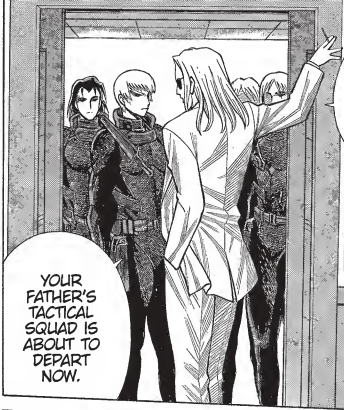
AND NOW THE INTRUDERS HAVE COMPLETELY BARRICADED THEMSELVES INSIDE.

AND THE CHURCH WAS BREACHED.

THE TEAM WATCHING THE CHAPEL WAS ATTACKED...



HAS SOMETHING HAPPENED ?!



YOUR
FATHER'S
TACTICAL
SQUAD IS
ABOUT TO
DEPART
NOW.

IF
YOU'RE
IN A
HURRY,
COME
WITH
ME.

SHIT!

WAIT,
WAIT...

YOU'VE
GOT TO BE
KIDDING ME!
DID YOU
REALLY THINK
THAT HER
HIGHNESS
WAS BEHIND
THIS WHOLE
SCHEME?

DIING

TO
PROTECT
THE
STUDENTS,
OF
COURSE!

I DIDN'T
NOTICE
ANYTHING.

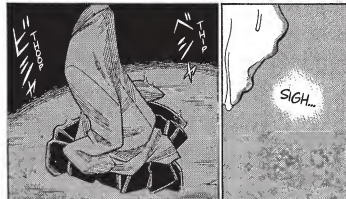
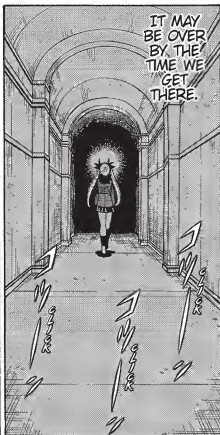
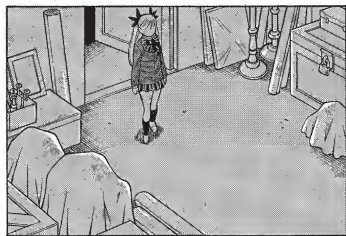
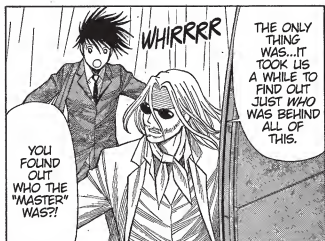
YOU SAID THAT
YOU HAD THE
CHURCH UNDER
SURVEILLANCE.
WHY?

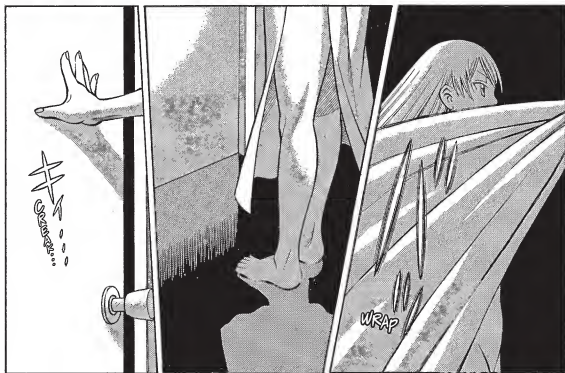
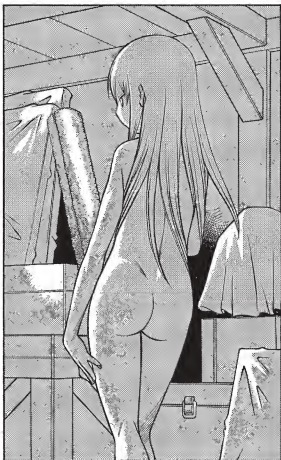
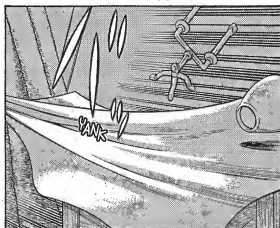
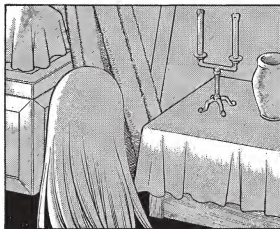
HIME'S
?!
WHAT
FOR?!

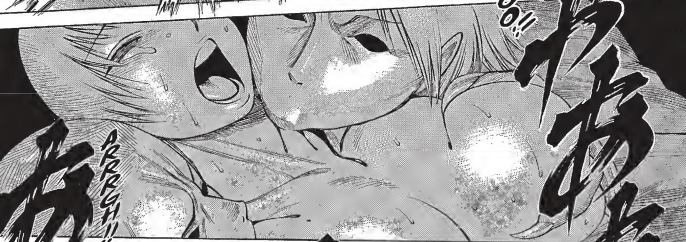
WE WERE
ACTING ON
HER HIGH-
NESS'S
ORDERS.

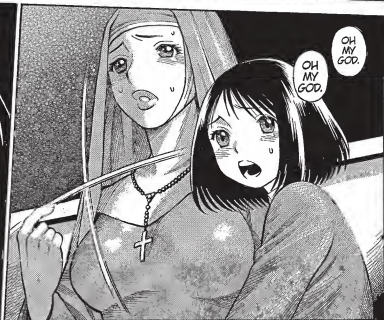
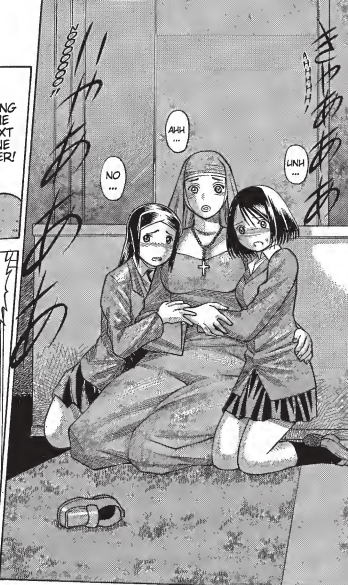
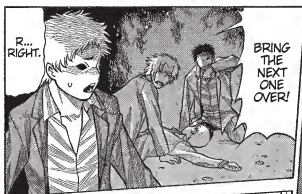
NO...
NO, I
DIDN'T,
BUT--

WHOOSH









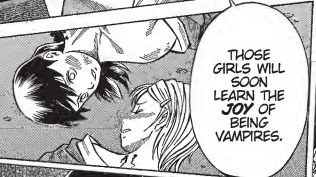


THERE
ISN'T
EVEN A
NEED
FOR US
TO FEEL
FEAR.

THAT'S
RIGHT.
THERE'S
NOTHING
WE FEAR!

DON'T
FEAR
GOD.

REAL
VAMPIRES...



THOSE
GIRLS WILL
SOON
LEARN THE
JOY OF
BEING
VAMPIRES.



NO...



FOR
VAMPIRES,
SUCKING
BLOOD, AND
HAVING THEIR
BLOOD
SUCKED, IS
THE ULTIMATE
PLEASURE.

HUMAN
INTERCOURSE
PALES IN
COMPARISON.



LOOK!



Y-YES?

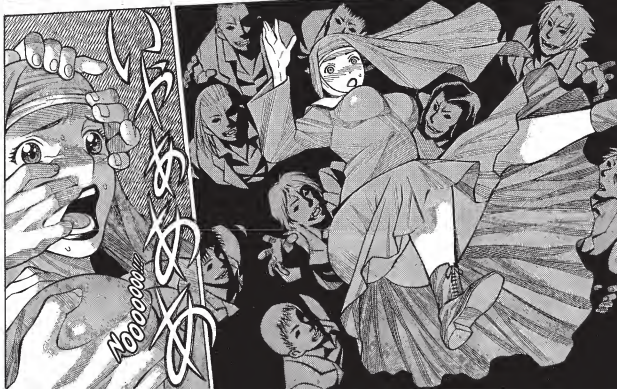
SIS-
TER...

I WOULD LIKE
YOU--AND THAT
YOUNG BODY
YOU'VE HIDDEN
AWAY BEHIND THAT
ROBE AND VOW
OF CELIBACY--
TO ENJOY WHAT
WE'RE ABOUT
TO DO.

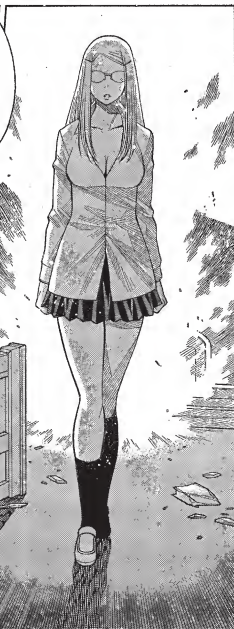
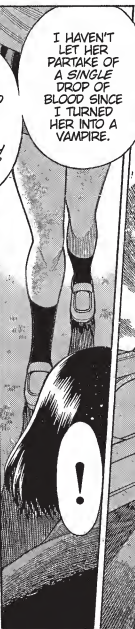
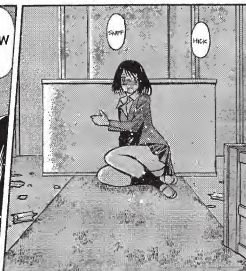
HERE'S WHAT
YOU'VE ALL
BEEN WAITING
FOR! **SISTER
LAURA** IS
NOW AT
YOUR
SERVICE!!



AHH!



Nooooo





I
PROMISE...

NO...

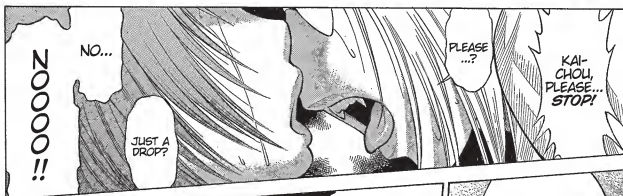
PLEASE
...

DON'T
WORRY.
IT'LL
FEEL
REALLY
GOOD.



I'M
SORRY,
YUKI-
CHAN.

BUT...
I CAN'T
TAKE IT
ANY-
MORE...



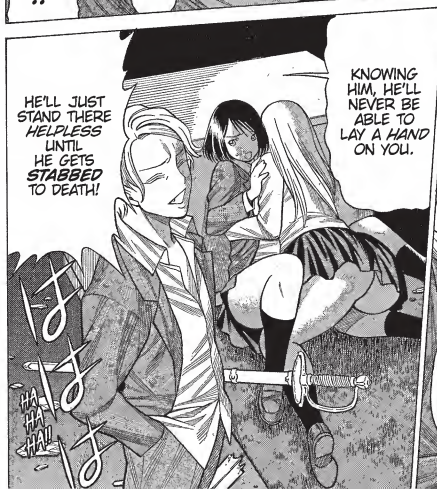
NOOOO!!

NO...

JUST A
DROP?

PLEASE
...?

KAI-
CHOU,
PLEASE...
STOP!



HE'LL JUST
STAND THERE
HELPLESS
UNTIL
HE GETS
STABBED
TO DEATH!

KNOWING
HIM, HE'LL
NEVER BE
ABLE TO
LAY A HAND
ON YOU.



WHEN YOU
BECOME A
VAMPIRE, I'LL
LET YOU TAKE
ON THAT
DOG-BOY...

WITH
THIS
SILVER
SWORD.



I'M
SCARED.

OH,
AKIRA-
KUN...

AKIRA-
KUN...



WE'RE FIGHTING
AGAINST SUCH
A TERRIFYING
ENEMY...

I'M SO
SCARED.



DO NOT
CALL MY
SERVANT'S
NAME SO
LIGHTLY!!

NOT
AGAINST
VAMPIRES...

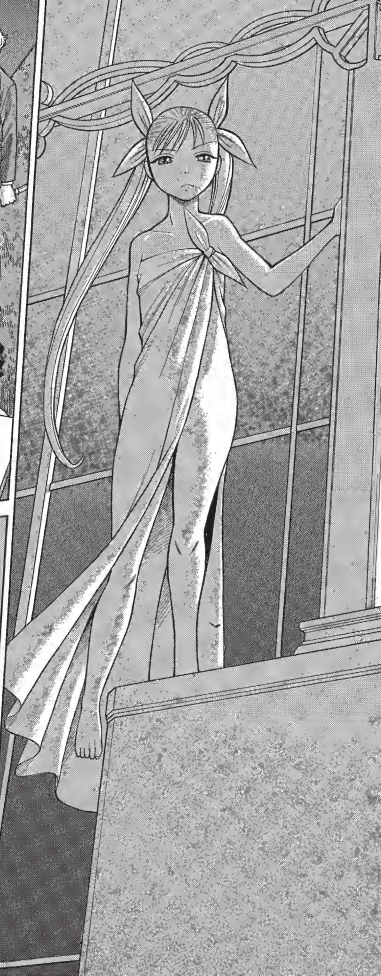
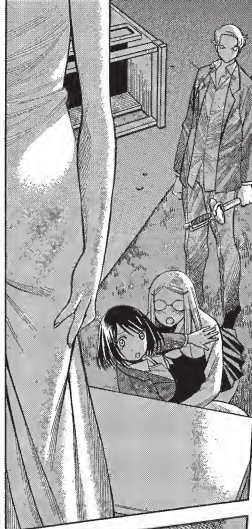
THERE'S
JUST NO
WAY...

THERE'S
NO WAY
WE EVER
COULD
HAVE
WON.

THERE'S
NO WAY
WE CAN
WIN!

AKIRA-
KUN!!

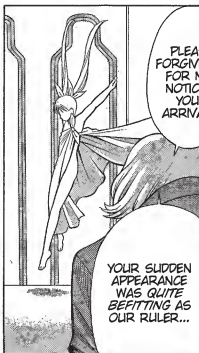
NOOOO!



HIME-
SAMA...



THERE ARE UNDERGROUND PATHWAYS CONNECTING EACH FACILITY TO ONE ANOTHER, BUILT SPECIFICALLY FOR US.



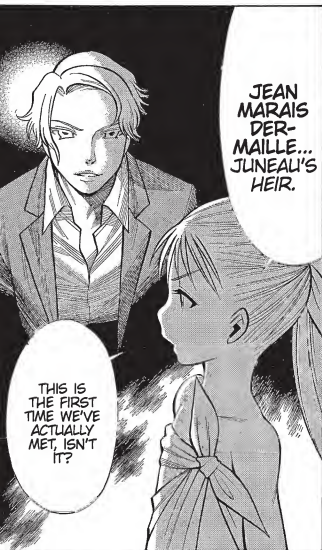
PLEASE FORGIVE ME FOR NOT NOTICING YOUR ARRIVAL...

YOUR SUDDEN APPEARANCE WAS QUITE BEFITTING AS OUR RULER...



MY, MY, YOUR HIGHNESS.

KNEEL



JEAN MARAIS DER-MAILLE... JUNEAU'S HEIR.

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME WE'VE ACTUALLY MET, ISN'T IT?

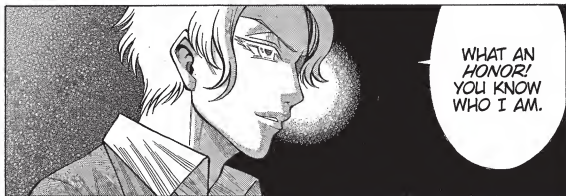


I SEE... SO YOU KNEW OF IT.

ALLOW ME TO INTRODUCE MYSELF, I AM...



BESIDES, YOU WERE THE ONE WHO LEAD ME HERE, WEREN'T YOU...?

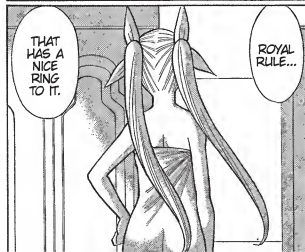


WHAT AN
HONOR!
YOU KNOW
WHO I AM.



THE
INCEPTION
OF THIS
KINGDOM IS
SURELY A
SIGN OF A
NEW ERA,
A NEW
MILLEN-
NIUM.

IT IS NOW
TIME TO START
THE BATTLE TO
MAKE YOUR
HIGHNESS'S
ROYAL RULE
KNOWN TO
THE WORLD.



THAT
HAS A
NICE
RING
TO IT.

ROYAL
RULE...

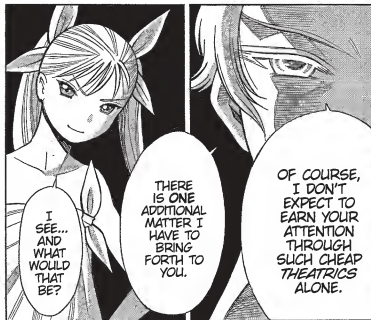
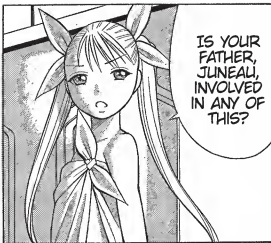
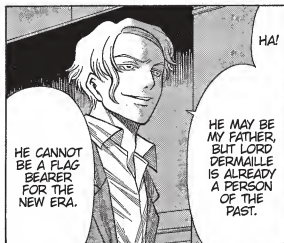


OUR KIND
HAS LOST ITS
LUSTER,
THOUGH,
OUR DAYS OF
GLORY NOW
LONG GONE.

WE VAMPIRES
HAVE GUIDED
AND RULED
OVER HUMANITY
SINCE THE
DAWN OF THEIR
SPECIES.

PRIN-
CESS!

KNEEL





AS WE SAW
DURING THE
RECENT TURN
OF EVENTS,
MANY OF THEIR
OPERATIVES
HAD INFILTRATED
THE DERMAILLE
HOUSE.

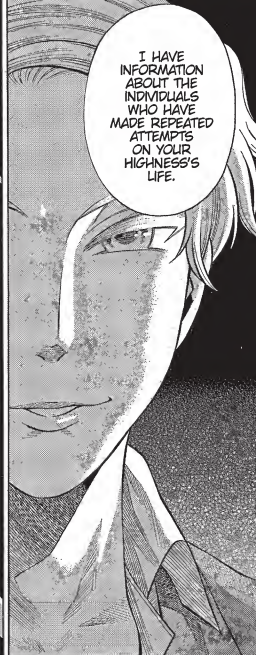


MY FATHER,
FEARING FOR
THE WORST,
CUT ALL TIES
TO THEM...

BUT I
MADE THEM
BELIEVE I WAS
SYMPATHETIC
TO THEIR CAUSE
AND GOT A
GLIMPSE INTO
PART OF THEIR
ORGANIZATION.



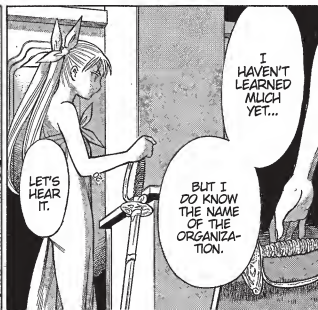
I SEE.



I HAVE
INFORMATION
ABOUT THE
INDIVIDUALS
WHO HAVE
MADE REPEATED
ATTEMPTS
ON YOUR
HIGHNESS'S
LIFE.



"TELO-
MERE."



LET'S
HEAR
IT.

I
HAVEN'T
LEARNED
MUCH
YET...

BUT I
DO KNOW
THE NAME
OF THE
ORGANIZA-
TION.



WHAT DO YOU SAY? LEAVE THIS TO ME. I WILL EVENTUALLY MAKE MY WAY INTO THE DEPTHS OF THEIR--

NO... THAT'S ALL I NEED TO HEAR...

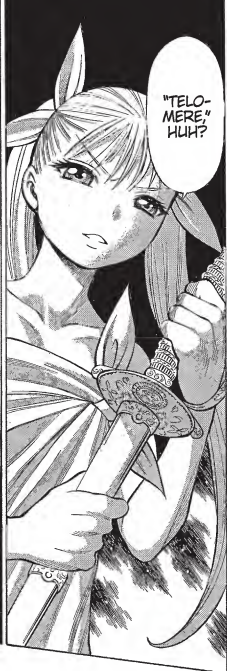


THAT'S ENOUGH FOR NOW!

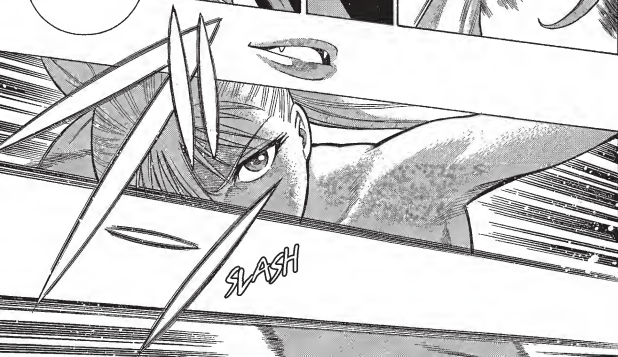


HMPH.

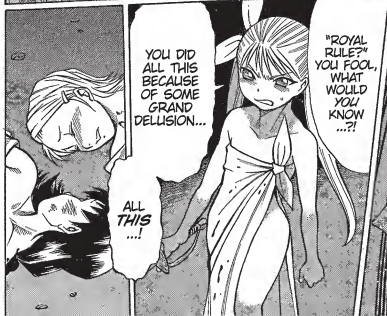
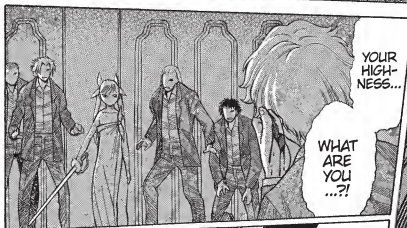
INTERESTING.



"TELO-MERE," HUH?



SLASH





WHAT
DID I DO
WRONG?!
WHAT
ARE YOU
LOOKING
FOR...?!

I AM
SURROUNDED
BY NOTHING
BUT FOOLS
WHO DON'T
UNDERSTAND
ME!!

TRULY...



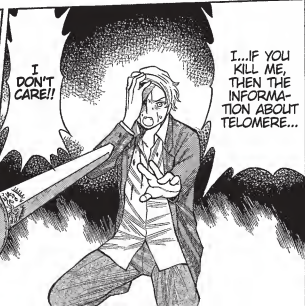
DON'T
FLATTER
YOURSELF!
THERE'S
NO WAY
A LOWLY
INSECT LIKE
YOU...

WOULD
EVER
UNDER-
STAND!!



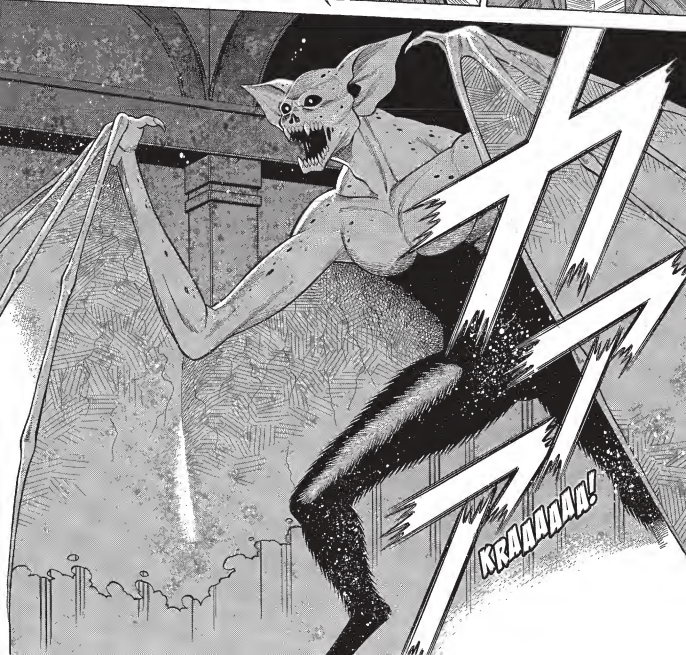
THERE ARE
ANY NUMBER
OF WAYS TO
FIND OUT THAT
INFORMATION
WITHOUT
HAVING TO
RELY ON
YOU.

NOW
GO! GET
LOST!!



I
DON'T
CARE!!

I...IF YOU
KILL ME,
THEN THE
INFORMA-
TION ABOUT
TELOMERE...





NO, HE
SIMPLY
REVEALED
HIS TRUE
FORM...

AN IGNOBLE
APPEARANCE,
WORTHY OF
A CHARACTER
LIKE HIM!!



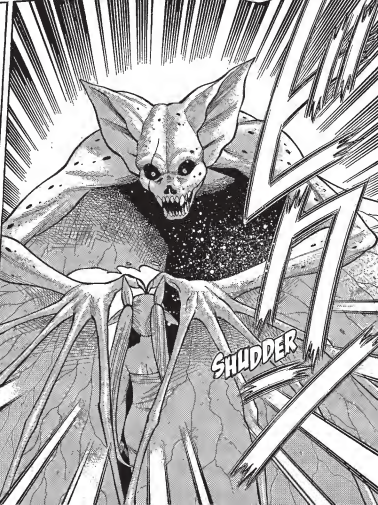
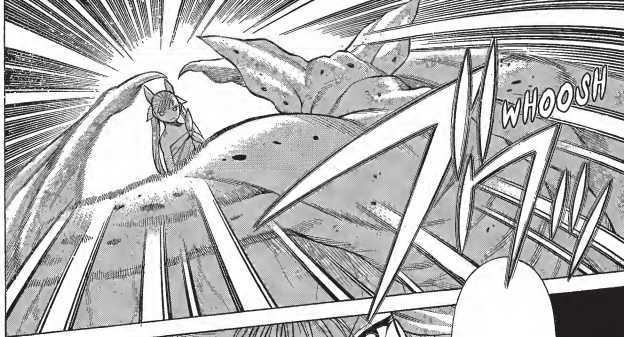
THERE'S NO
TELLING WHAT
SORT OF
HIDEOUS
FACE I HAVE
HIDDEN AWAY,
EITHER...



VAMPIRES
ARE CREA-
TURES
WHOSE
VERY FORM
IS RULED
BY THEIR
MINDS.

KEEP
YOUR
EYES
OPEN!

EVERYONE
POSSESSES
A TRUE
FORM WHICH
REFLECTS
THEIR INNER
SPIRIT.





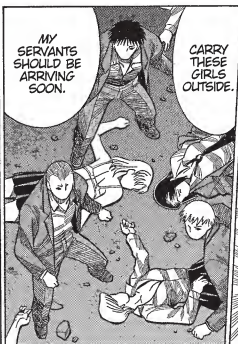
NEVER.

PLEASE,
FOR-
GIVE--

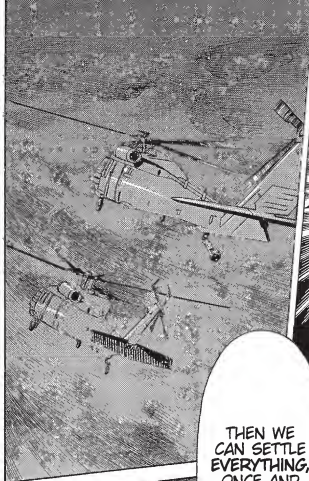
I...
I BEG
YOUR
FORGIVE-
NESS...



SHINK

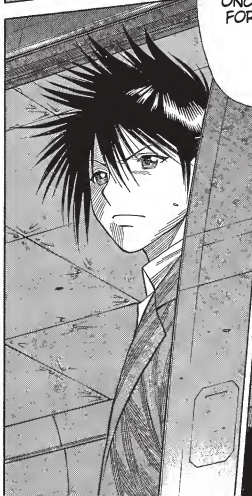


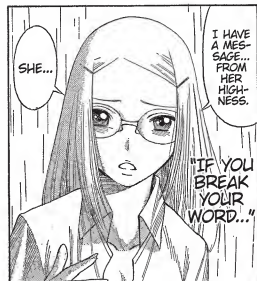
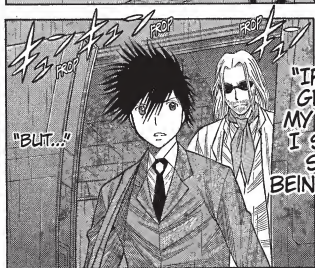
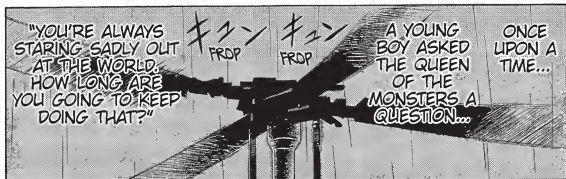




YOU WILL
WAIT FOR
AKIRA HERE
WITH ME.

THEN WE
CAN SETTLE
EVERYTHING,
ONCE AND
FOR ALL.





Chapter 12: Shape of My Heart

I...

**SHALL
EAT
YOU.**

AWAITS
YOU...
INSIDE THE
CHURCH...



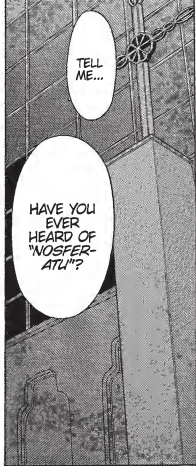
IT'S A
SILENT FILM
FROM 1922,
DIRECTED
BY F. W.
MURNAU.

HUH?

TELL
ME...

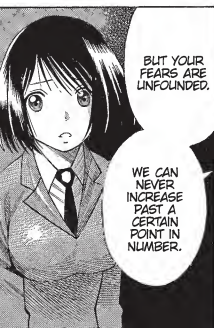
HAVE YOU
EVER
HEARD OF
"NOSFER-
ATU"?

IT WAS THE
FIRST MOVIE
IN THE WORLD
TO FEATURE A
VAMPIRE.



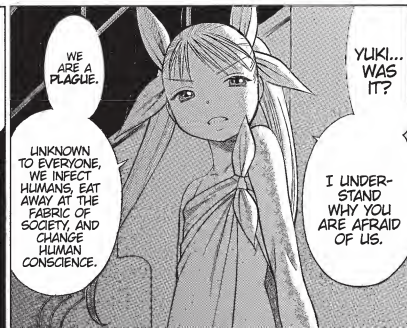
IT WAS QUITE
A WELL-MADE
FILM THAT
EXPRESSED
THE HORROR
OF VAMPIRES
ACCURATELY.

IN THE MOVIE, COUNT
ORLOK, THE VAMPIRE
PLAYED BY MAX
SCHRECK, WANDERS
THROUGH TOWNS,
SPREADING PLAGUE
WHEREVER HE GOES
AND FILLING THE
STREETS WITH DEATH.



BUT YOUR
FEARS ARE
UNFOUNDED.

WE CAN
NEVER
INCREASE
PAST A
CERTAIN
POINT IN
NUMBER.



WE
ARE A
PLAGUE.

UNKNOWN
TO EVERYONE,
WE INFECT
HUMANS, EAT
AWAY AT THE
FABRIC OF
SOCIETY, AND
CHANGE
HUMAN
CONSCIENCE.

YUKI...
WAS
IT?

I UNDER-
STAND
WHY YOU
ARE AFRAID
OF US.



BUT
THERE'S
A CLEVER
BALANCE
IN PLAY
HERE...

THEN
HUMAN-
ITY IS--



VAMPIRES
TOO WILL
RUIN THEIR
PREY:
HUMANITY.

IF WE
EXPAND
IN TOO
GREAT A
NUMBER...

JUST LIKE
HOW A
THRIVING
VIRUS WILL
EVENTUALLY
KILL ITS
HOST...



LOOK AT
JEAN
MARAIS.

HE COULD
SIMPLY HAVE
JUST WAITED
FOR HIS
FATHER'S
POSITION AS
THE RULER OF
THEIR HOUSE
TO LAND IN
HIS LAP...

INSTEAD, HE
RUNS AROUND
AND PRETENDS
HE'S KING
OF THE HILL,
BLABBERING ON
ABOUT BEING A
RULER, AND
LOOK AT HIM
NOW.



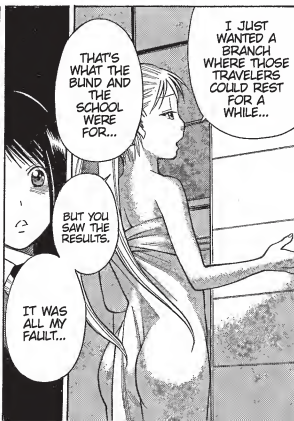
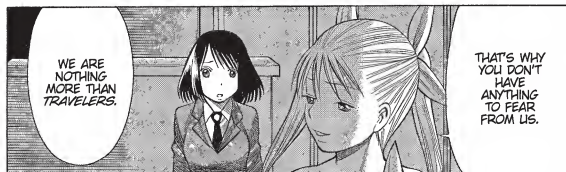
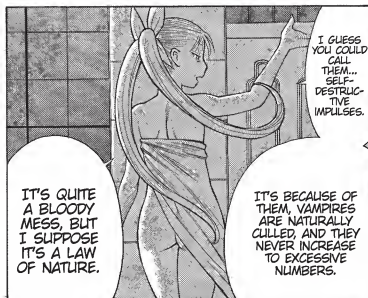
HUH
...?

VAMPIRES
EASILY LOSE
THEIR LIVES
AFTER
SUCCLUMING
TO GREED,
DELUSIONS
AND
MOMENTARY
PLEASURES.

DESPITE
ATTAINING
ETERNAL
LIFE...

CASE IN
POINT, A FEW
MONTHS
AFTER THE
BLIND WAS
FORMED...

10%
OF THE
POPULA-
TION HAS
ALREADY
DIED
FOR ONE
REASON OR
ANOTHER.





SHIK



HIME-SAMA...
WHAT
ARE
YOU
GOING
TO
DO...

IF
AKIRA-
KUN
COMES?



HA...
THERE'S
NO
POINT
TELLING
YOU
THIS...
THERE
MUST
BE
SOMETHING
WRONG
WITH
ME.



NO,
YOU
CAN'T...

ARE
YOU
...?

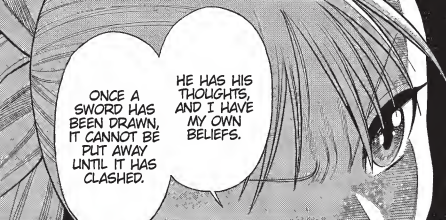


IT
WAS
ALL
A
MISUNDER-
STANDING,
WASN'T
IT?!
IT
WAS
ALL
A
SETUP...

THERE'S
NO
REASON
FOR
YOU
TWO
TO
FIGHT
ANYMORE!



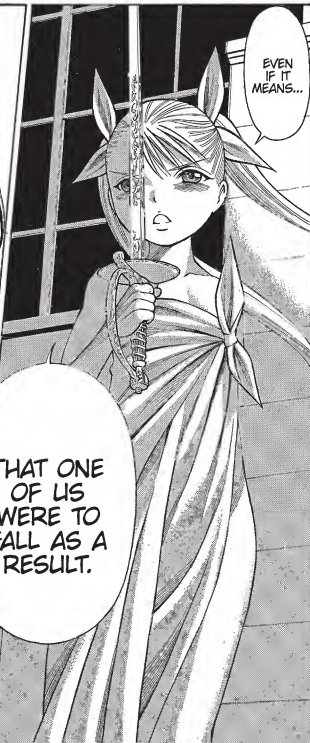
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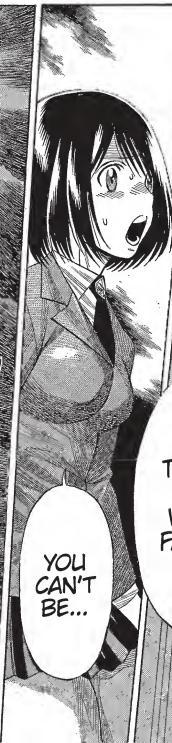
ONCE A
SWORD HAS
BEEN DRAWN,
IT CANNOT BE
PUT AWAY
UNTIL IT HAS
CLASHED.

HE HAS HIS
THOUGHTS,
AND I HAVE
MY OWN
BELIEFS.

THERE
IS A
REASON.



EVEN
IF IT
MEANS...

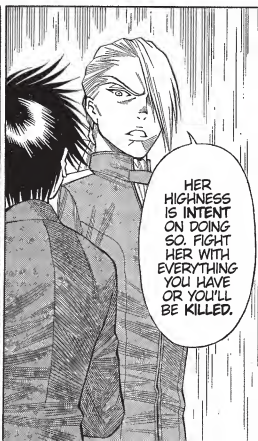
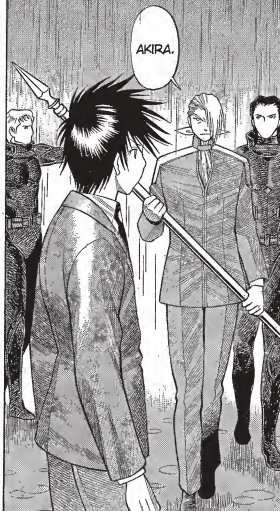


THAT ONE
OF US
WERE TO
FALL AS A
RESULT.

YOU
CAN'T
BE...



RUMBLE



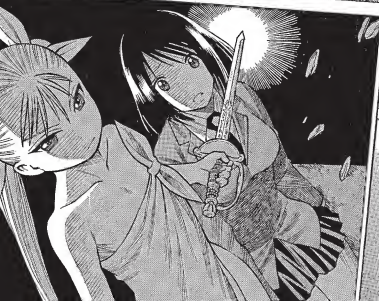
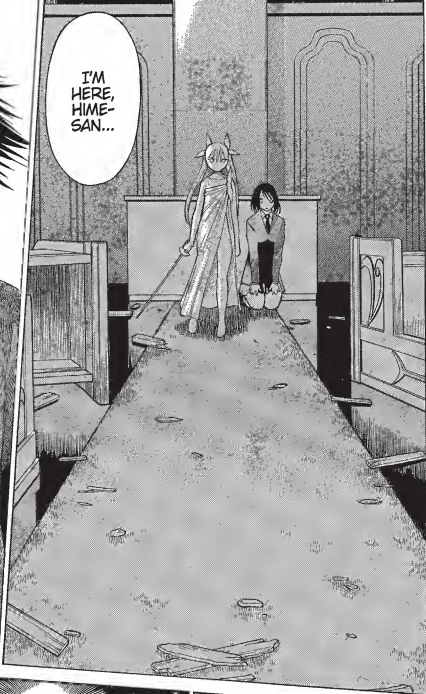






YUKI,
YOU
OKAY?

I'M
HERE,
HIME-
SAN...



AKIRA-
KUN!

I'M FINE,
BUT
HIME-
SAMA--!

**AND
IF WE
CANNOT
GO
BACK...**

**WHAT
CON-
CERNED
HIM WAS
THE TOP
OF THAT
TOWER.**

**IN THE END,
YOU HAVE
NO WAY OF
SEEING INTO
MY HEART!**

**IT
DOESN'T
MATTER
ANYMORE
WHETHER
I'VE
CHANGED
OR NOT!**

**STOP IT,
HIME-
SAN...
IT'S ALL
OVER...**

RIGHT?

**THEN
I WOULD
PREFER EVERY-
THING BE
DESTROYED!!**

**THE ONLY
THING THAT'S
CERTAIN IS WE
CAN'T GO BACK
TO THE WAY IT
USED TO BE!**

**YOU SAID
I HAD
CHANGED.**

**NOTHING'S
OVER.**



HER
TRUE
FORM
?!

CAN
IT BE
...?!

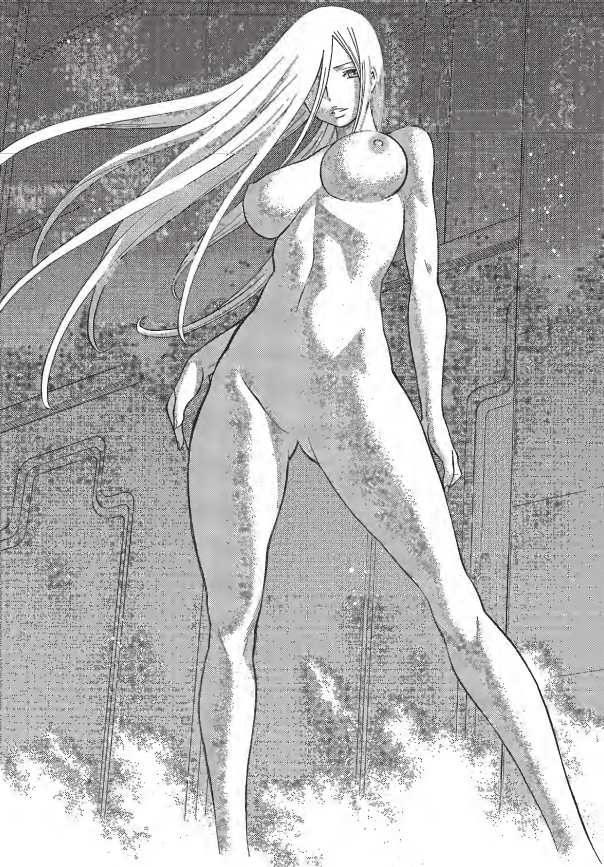
BUT
ONE DAY,
THE BOY
GATHERED
HIS
COURAGE...

SOMETIMES
THE QUEEN
WOULD HIDE
THERE AND
NOT ALLOW
THE BOY
NEAR HER.

WHAT
HE SAW
THERE
WAS...

AND
WENT TO
THE PLACE
WHERE THE
QUEEN WAS
HIDING.

FROOOOSH



THAT
WAS
MINA!

THAT
WAS...

IT'S...
IT'S...
HER...

THAT'S THE
PERSON
WHO
SHOWED
UP IN MY
BEDROOM
BEFORE...

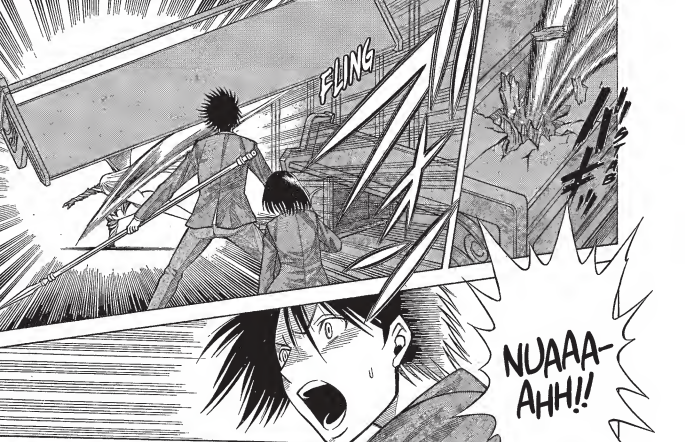


EVERYONE
POSSESSES
A TRUE
FORM WHICH
REFLECTS
THEIR INNER
SPIRIT.

SHE'S
BEAUTI-
FUL...

SO THIS
IS WHAT
PRINCESS
MINA'S
SOUL
LOOKS
LIKE...







I'LL...
TELL YOU
WHY I...
HAD TO TURN
YOU AWAY
WHEN YOU
TOLD ME HOW
YOU FELT.



I DIDN'T
WANT YOU
TO FIND
OUT ABOUT
THIS...

BUT I
DON'T
REALLY
HAVE A
CHOICE
ANYMORE.



YOUR
HAND...

A...
AKIRA...
KUN...

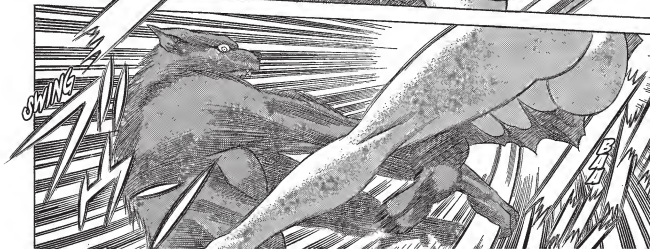
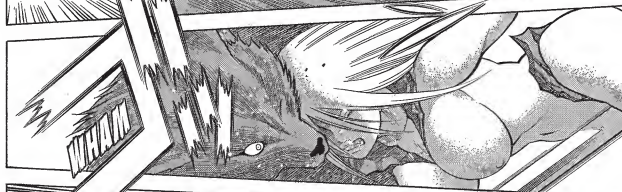
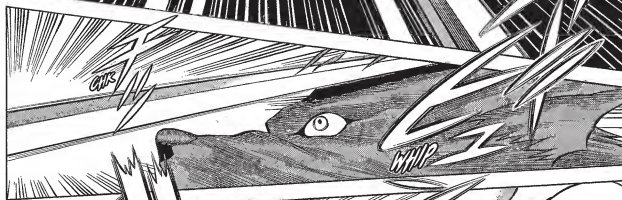
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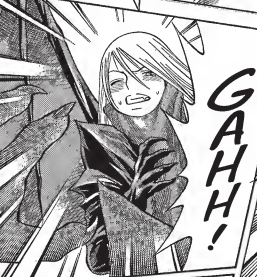
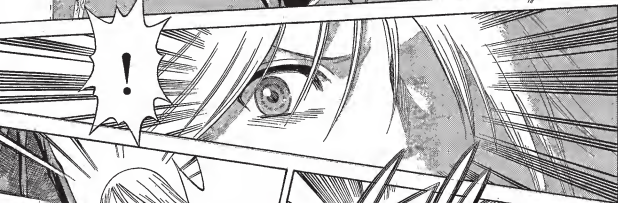










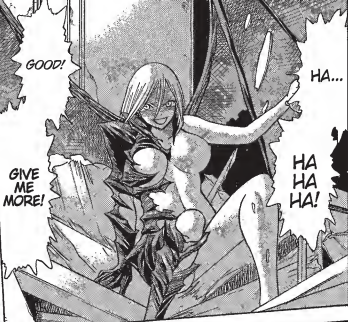






TRY TO
DESTROY
ME!

AKI-
RAAA
!!!



GOOD!

GIVE
ME
MORE!

HA...

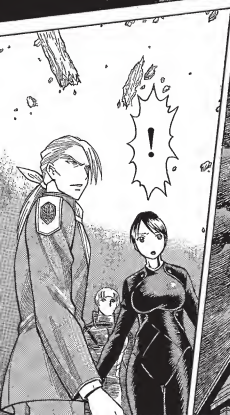
HA
HA
HA!



COULD
IT BE?!

I GUESS YOU
COULD CALL
THEM...SELF-
DESTRUCTIVE
IMPULSES. IT'S
BECAUSE OF
THEM, VAMPIRES
ARE NATURALLY
CULLED...

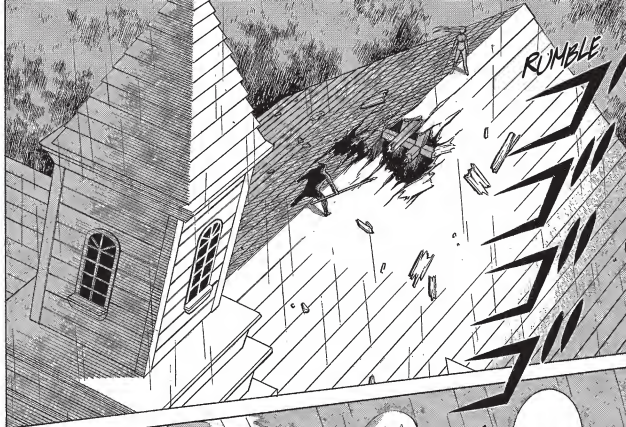
HIME-
SAMA...



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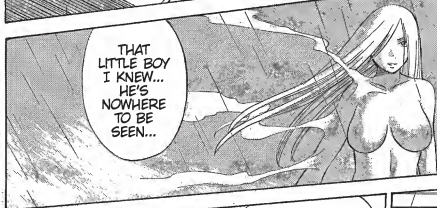


KI-
BROOSH



THAT
LITTLE BOY
I KNEW...
HE'S
NOWHERE
TO BE
SEEN...

YOU'VE
BECOME
STRONG-
ER...



HIME-
SAN...

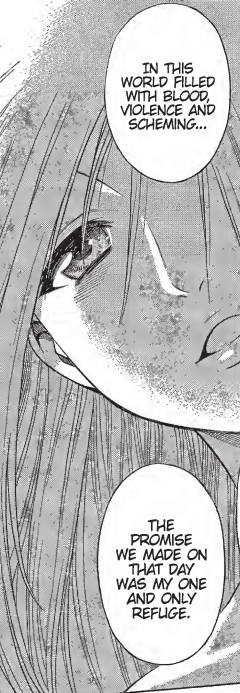
YOU...

WHY DID I
THINK...THAT
YOU WOULD
WAIT FOR
ME...?



EVERY-
BODY
CHANGES...
WHETHER
THEY WANT
TO OR
NOT...

LEAVING ME,
WHO CANNOT
CHANGE,
BEHIND...
I THOUGHT
I HAD
ACCEPTED IT,
BUT...



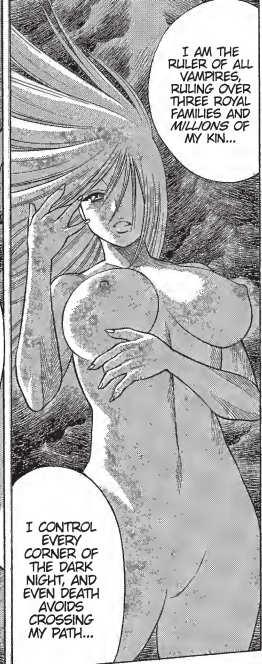
IN THIS
WORLD FILLED
WITH BLOOD,
VIOLENCE AND
SCHEMING...

THE
PROMISE
WE MADE ON
THAT DAY
WAS MY ONE
AND ONLY
REFUGE.



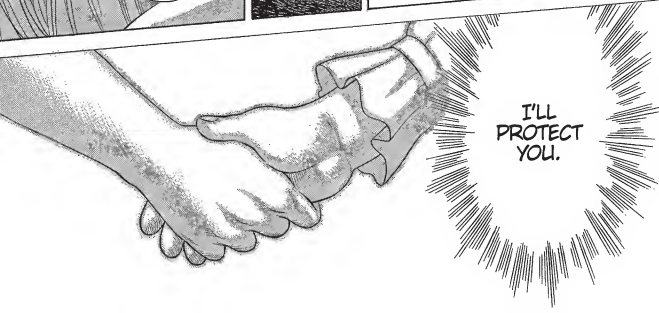
ALL
FOR
WHAT?

WHAT I
WANTED WAS
SOMETHING
MUCH...
MUCH MORE
SIMPLE...

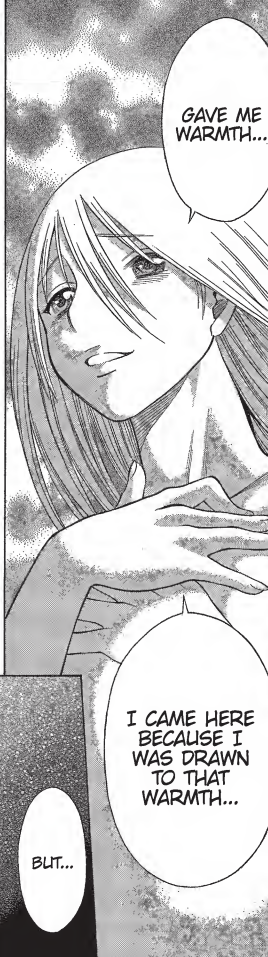


I AM THE
RULER OF ALL
VAMPIRES,
RULING OVER
THREE ROYAL
FAMILIES AND
MILLIONS OF
MY KIN...

I CONTROL
EVERY
CORNER OF
THE DARK
NIGHT, AND
EVEN DEATH
AVOIDS
CROSSING
MY PATH...



I'LL
PROTECT
YOU.



GAVE ME
WARMTH...

I
PROMISE.

I'LL
ALWAYS
BE BY
YOUR
SIDE...

I CAME HERE
BECAUSE I
WAS DRAWN
TO THAT
WARMTH...

BUT...



THOSE
WORDS
ALONE...



HAH...GO
AHEAD AND
LAUGH,
I'M BEING
SENTIMENTAL..

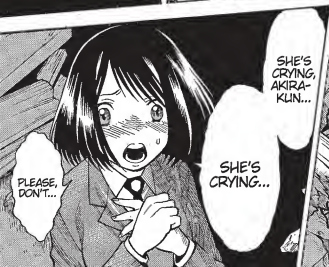
JUST
I...

AND I
ALONE...



THE
ONE I
WANTED
THE
MOST...

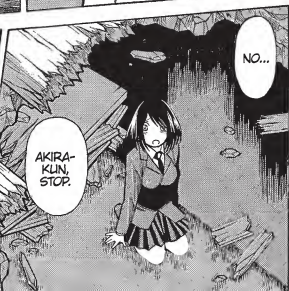
IT
SLIPPED
AWAY
FROM
ME.



PLEASE,
DON'T...

SHE'S
CRYING,
AKIRA-
KUN...

SHE'S
CRYING...



NO...

AKIRA-
KUN,
STOP.

IF YOU
GRANT
MY
WISH...

GWH
I SHALL
STOP BEING
SAD. SO,
DEAR BOY,
WILL YOU
STILL MAKE
YOUR
PROMISE?

NOOOOOO!!

THE BOY
NODDED
VIGOR-
OUSLY.

"I
WILL!!"

GUHH!

CLASH

TW HAM

SNAP

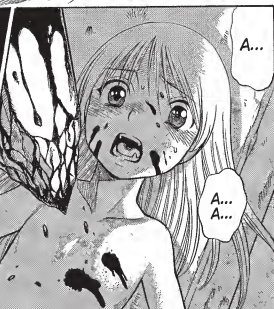
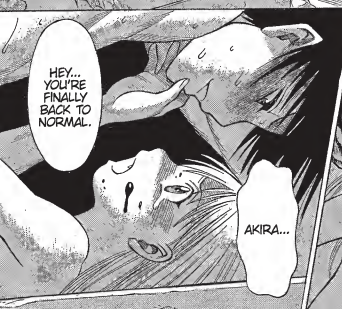
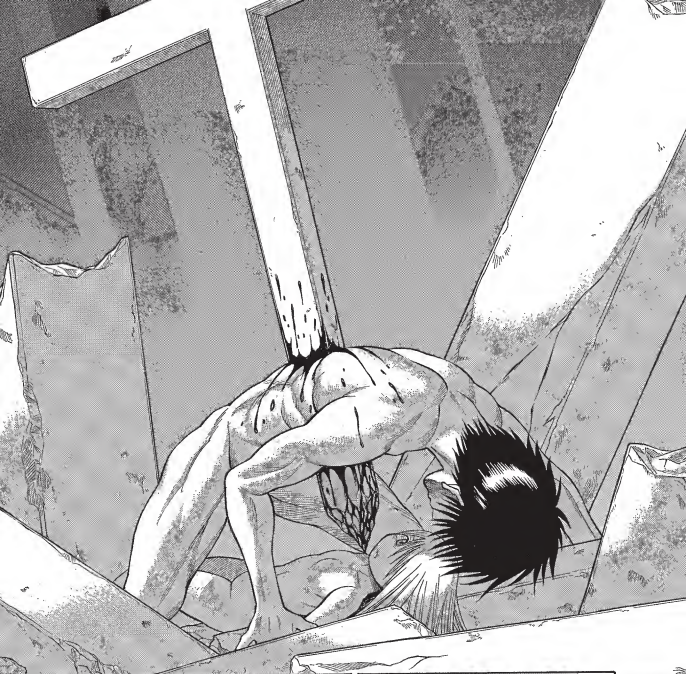
CRUSH

THEN
I WILL
TELL
YOU...

MY
WISH
IS...









NO,
LISTEN...

ANY-
WAY...

YOU
FOOL!
DON'T
TALK...

DON'T
WORRY.
WERE-
WOLVES
ARE
IMMORTAL.



AKIRA!

AKIRA!!



NOT
ONE
BIT...

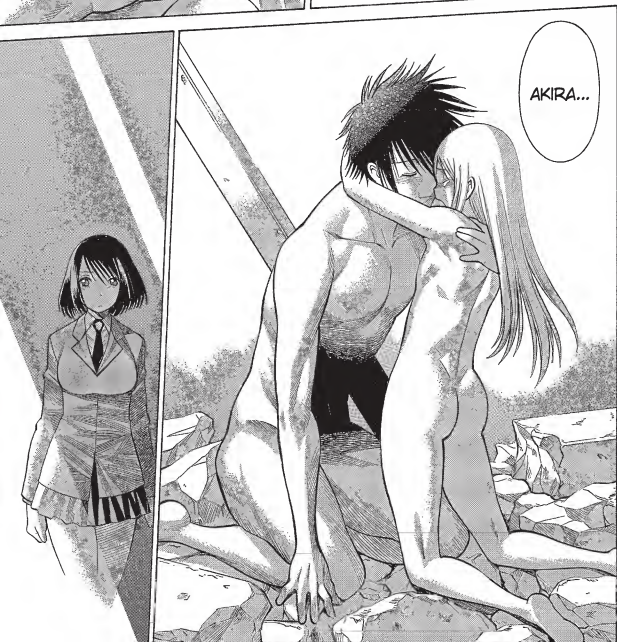
YOU
WERE
RIGHT.

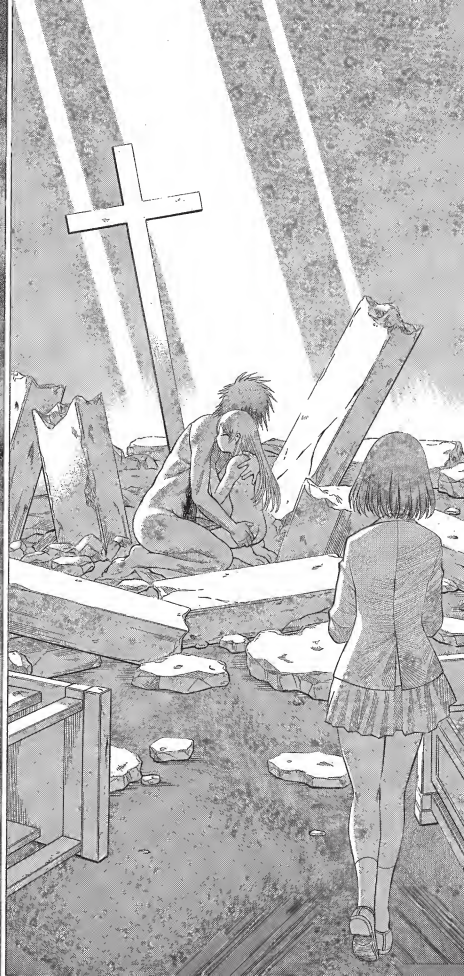
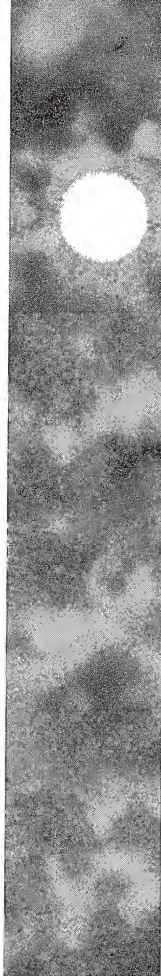
YOU
HADN'T
CHANGED.



AKI-
RA...

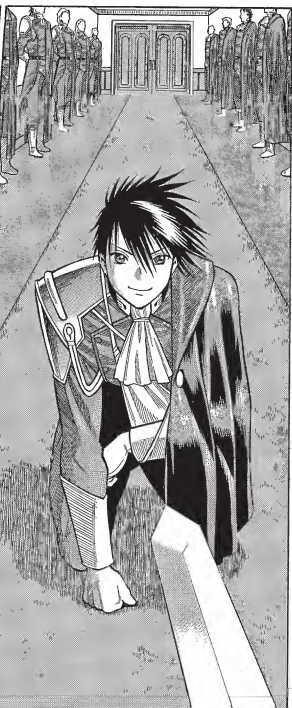
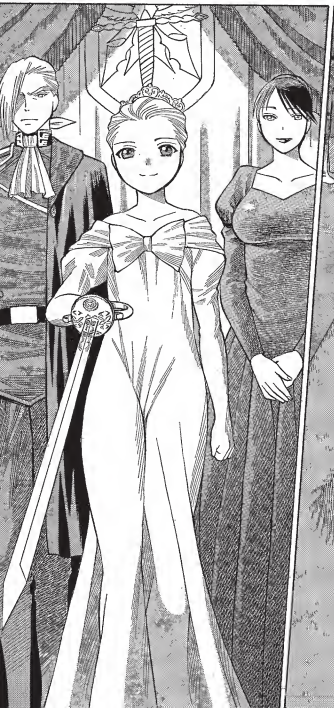
YOU WAITED
FOR ME...
EXACTLY THE
WAY YOU
WERE BACK
THEN...

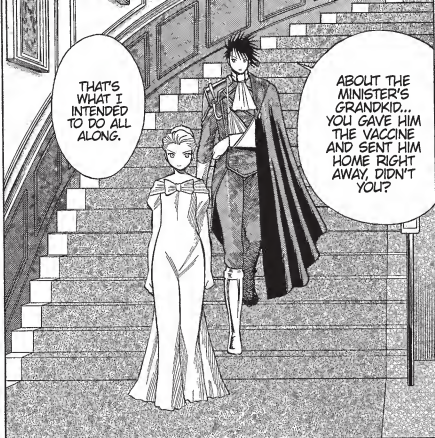




I HEREBY
BESTOW
KNIGHTSHIP
UPON THEE AND
GRANT THEE
PERMISSION
TO JOIN THE
ASSEMBLY OF
WARRIORS.

AKIRA
KABURAGI
REGENDORF...





THAT'S
WHAT I
INTENDED
TO DO ALL
ALONG.

ABOUT THE
MINISTER'S
GRANDKID...
YOU GAVE HIM
THE VACCINE
AND SENT HIM
HOME RIGHT
AWAY, DIDN'T
YOU?

ABOUT
WHAT?



I HEARD
FROM
VERA-
SAN.



MM...

I TOLD
YOU...
WE'RE
GOING
TO BE
TOGETHER
FOREVER.



I
WON'T.



BUT THAT
STILL DOESN'T
CHANGE THE
FACT THAT
I USED A
CHILD FOR
EXTORTION.

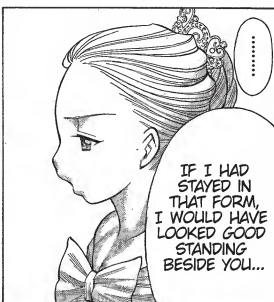


AKIRA,
ARE YOU
SURE
YOU
WON'T
REGRET
THIS?



YEAH, BUT
IT JUST
WOULDN'T
BE COM-
FORTABLE.

WHY
NOT?



IF I HAD
STAYED IN
THAT FORM,
I WOULD HAVE
LOOKED GOOD
STANDING
BESIDE YOU...

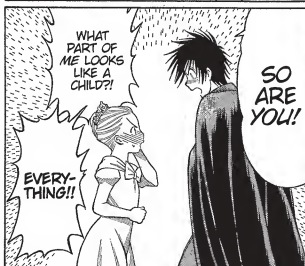


I NEVER
IMAGINED
THAT *HOT*
LADY WAS
YOUR OTHER
FORM...



D...

DON'T
TEASE
ME!
YOU'RE
JUST A
CHILD!!



WHAT
PART
OF ME
LOOKS
LIKE A
CHILD?!

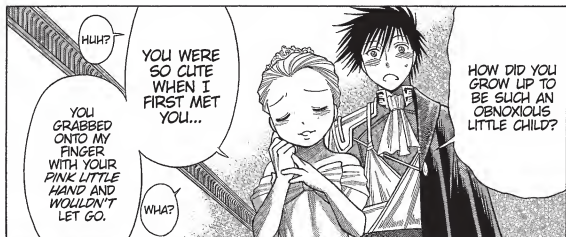
EVERY-
THING!!

SO
ARE
YOU!



PA!

BECAUSE I
LIKE SEEING
THE TOP OF
YOUR HEAD
WHEN I'M
STANDING
BESIDE YOU.



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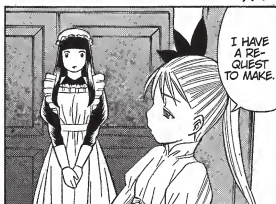
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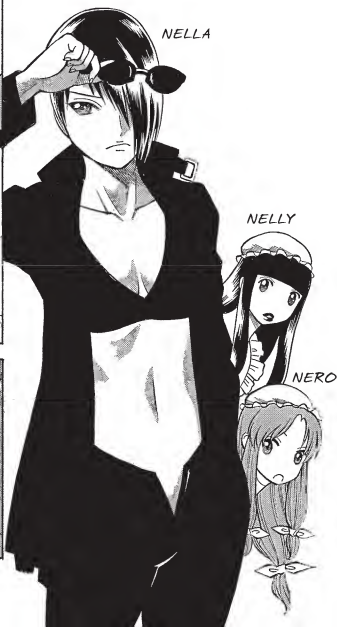
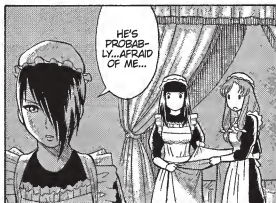
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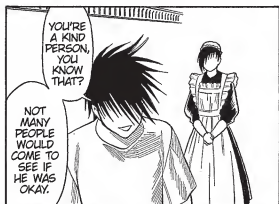
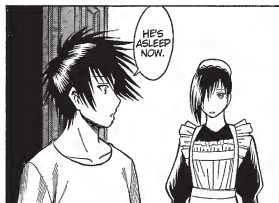
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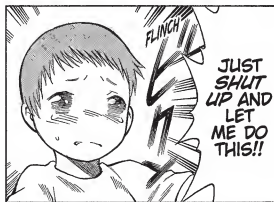
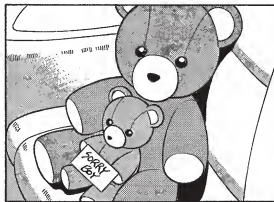
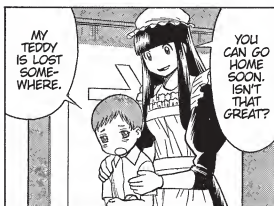
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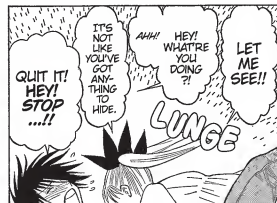


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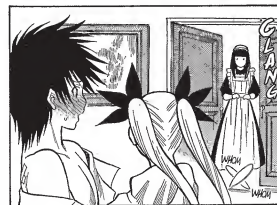








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TRANSLATION NOTES

VAMPIRE BUND

Bund refers to an embankment or embanked quay, and comes from the Urdu word *band*, which in turn is related to the German word *bund* (“federation” or “union”) and the English words *bind* and *band*. A famous waterfront area in Shanghai, China is also named “The Bund.”

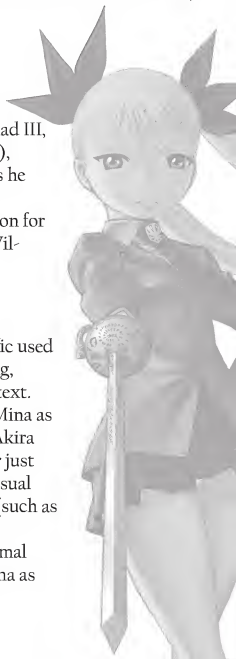
In all cases, *bund* is a term used to describe some sort of colony or collective, and as such a Vampire Bund would be an area (in this case a man-made island) set aside for vampires to live on.

MINA TEPEŞ

The name *Tepeş* comes from the common Russian nickname, *Vlad Tepeş* (Vlad The Impaler) given to Vlad III, Prince of Wallachia (a state in what is now Romania), which he earned for the extremely cruel punishments he inflicted on his people. In the Western world he is probably better known as Vlad Dracula, the inspiration for Bram Stoker’s famous novel. Mina is a reference to Wilhelmina Murray, also of Bram Stoker’s novel.

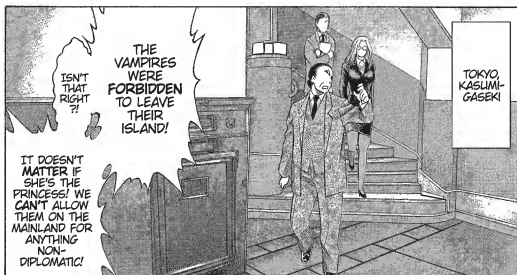
HIME-SAMA

“Hime” is literally “princess” and “sama” is an honorific used to indicate respect towards a person of higher ranking, although it can also be used in a joking/sarcastic context. Several characters (such as Akira and Vera) refer to Mina as “Hime-sama” as a sign of respect and/or friendship (Akira also calls her by the less-respectful “san” honorific, or just plain “Hime” on occasion, to indicate his relatively casual relationship and attitude towards her) while others (such as Wolfgang and Juneau) refer to her more formally as “Princess” or “Her Highness.” Similarly, in certain formal contexts even the characters who usually refer to Mina as “Hime-sama” will refer to her as “Princess” instead.



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Kasumigaseki is a district in Tokyo where most of the government ministry buildings are located.



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Kaichou is an honorific that literally means “president” and is used to refer to the head of a company or organization.





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BELIEVE IN ME, I'M YOUR QUEEN

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